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Money

# Coalition expected to muster majority for

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EVELYN GORDON

majority for the 1997 budget last night, but was confident that one would be found before the vote

The wheeling and dealing easily upstaged the start of the plenum debate on the budget, which consisted largely of predictable attacks from all sides of the house delivered to an empty hall.

The two outstanding problems are Yisrael Ba'aliya and Gesher, which together comprise 12 MKs. There is also still a chance that a few renegade Likud MKs might vote against as well. However, Yisrael Ba'aliva chairman Natan Sharansky was to meet with Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu and Finance Minister Dan Meridor late fast night, and both sides expected they would be able to reach an agreement.

Yisrael Ba'aliya's main demands are the building of 4,500 hostel apartments for physically and mentally handicapped immi-grants, plus some NIS 25 million in stipends for immigrant scientists. The budget contains funds for only 200 hostel units, at a cost of NIS 140m. Meridor has expressed willingness in principle to discuss these demands, but the party says a general promise is insufficient, it wants either a written commitment or a detailed, specific oral promise.

ing that several major changes in the social welfare section of the budget be made in the next 24 hours. Netanyahu was planning to talk to party leader and Foreign Minister David Levy last night, but Gesher's votes are not actually necessary if Yisrael Ba'aliya sup-

budget shows that he is not an equal among equals, but above all the rest," said an exasperated (Continued on Page 9)

# was East bloc agent

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Charles Hernu was an agent of the East," the weekly L'Express said. Hernu, defense minister from 1981 to 1985 under Socialist president Francois Mitterrand, died in

The magazine said Hernu was spotted as a rising policical star by a Bulgarian spy in Paris in 1953, and was paid by Bulgaria. Romania, and the Soviet Union until at least 1963 for writing

**L'Express** said Mitterrand was informed in 1992 of the payments to Hernu by French counter-intelligence chief Jacques Fournet and ordered the scandal covered up as a state secret. Mitterrand, a personal friend of Hernu, left power in May 1995 and died last January.



# Levy: Government in distress over Oslo Accords

"THIS is a government in distress, and that's the whole truth," Foreign Minister David Levy told the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defense Committee yesterday.

He said the problems derived from the Oslo

Accords, which had been "forced upon it." According to an official briefing, Levy said: Taking the middle road between the heart's desires and the difficult objective situation will not satisfy either side.

This is a government which determined that it would not abandon the settlers, and that is a diplomatic, moral, and political commitment. Anyone who thought that when this government was formed it would renege on this commitment will be disappointed." Levy strongly criticized the Oslo Accords,

but stressed the government's commitment, albeit unwilling, to them. "If it wasn't for Oslo I'd know exactly what to do but we're [caught] in a process which has been started:

this is a process which has no objective and no red lines but it exists and must be adopted despite all the difficulties and obstacles along the way.

"Any other decision would have put Israel in a very dangerous situation; expectations would have collapsed, [there would have been) disappointment and tension in the region and in [Israel's] international rela-

Levy said any decision not to implement Oslo Accord would "lead to a catastrophe." He said an agreement with the Palestinians on Hebron could have been signed by now had Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat wanted to do so. Even after an agreement, he said, there could be developments which would place a question mark over the continuation of the

Levy denied there was a "crisis" over Hebron and said the signing had been

LIAT COLLINS and news agencies "delayed." He complained it was a shame to waste time but Arafat had decided to travel

instead of signing.

He also complained of Arafai's recent statements, saying that even when Arafat translates "jihad" as a "devotion," the Palestinians understand it to mean "a holy war."

Despite the absence of Arafat and US peace talks coordinator Dennis Ross, Israel and the Palestinian Authority continued with talks on Hebron redeployment yesterday.

Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu accused the Palestinians of delaying the agreement. "One of the reasons the Palestinian side is holding up its completion is that it assumes...any time the Arab side alleges there is a problem in moving forward, Israel's government will be blamed." Netanyahu said in a speech in Tel Aviv.

Ross, ending three weeks of talks aimed at concluding a Hebron deal, left yesterday for Washington. Arafat was in Norway, on the first leg of a European tour. He is expected back in Gaza at the end of the week. (Story, Page 2)

Meanwhile, Israeli and Palestinian Authority negotiators convened in a Tel Aviv

hotel in further pursuit of a deal.

We have some difficult issues that we still have to deal with, but we are close and I hope that we can make some more progress when Chairman Arafat returns and we have a chance to go over these issues with him," US Ambassador to Israel Martin Indyk told

reporters as he entered the hotel. On Monday, the United States said Arafat alone could not be blamed for the failure so far to reach agreement.

"It's wrong and I think it's also not consistent with the facts to point at Chairman Arafat

and say: 'He's the guy holding these talks up'," State Department spokesman Nicholas Burns said.

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"I would just look at both of them [Israelis and Palestinians] and say they're both responsible, and they're only going to get an agreement when both of them cross the line together," Burns told reporters in

Palestinian negonator Saeb Erekat said his team was in touch with Arafat hourly and had been ordered by the Palestinian leader to reach an agreement "as soon as possible." "We still have our major differences," he

The Palestinian Information Ministry issued a statement yesterday claiming that the Netanyahu government "does not have any intention of implementing the agreement," knowing that the Palestinians will not agree to renegotiate the existing agreements.

# budget vote

THE government still lacked a

We don't trust the statement that 'everything will be okay,' " said faction chairman Roman Branfman. "[Until now] there has been no progress whatsoever on the disputed issues. The Treasury staff has systemaocally sabotaged

everything."

A deal with Gesher seems less likely, since the facoon is demand-

ports the budget.
"Whoever doesn't vote for the

# 'L'Express': French ex-defense minister

PARIS (Reuter) - A former French defense minister, the late Charles Hemu, was paid as an agent of the Soviet Union and other East bloc compries in the 1950s and 1960s, a french magazine said yesterday.

reports about French poliocs.





Protesters at last night's rally in Jerusalem demonstrate in favor of Jewish settlement in Hebron.

# Thousands show support for Jewish settlement in Hebron

A CROWD Israel Radio estimated at 10,000 people braved the rain and demonstrated last night in downtown Jerusalem io support of the Jewish settlement in Hebron, then marched to the nearby US Consulate, where they called on the US not to pressure Israel into redeploying in the city.

Speaker after speaker at the rally took pains to stress that the protest was not against Prime Minister Binyamio Netanyahu, but rather in support of retaining control in Hebroo.

Kiryat Arba Chief Rabbi Dov Lior said that the rally was to give the government "strength to stand up to the geotiles, and not to give up parts of the homeland. We have come to strengthen your [Netanyahu's] band, and show that there is massive support for standing firm on the issue of Hebron."

National Religious Party activisi Rabbi Haim Druckman said that Netanyahu "is our prime minister. Be strong, don't collapse, don't surrender. Do what you want, which is for the settlement to grow and develop. Don't give in to pressures, either from abroad or from within." Some 20 Peace Now activists. calling for the Hebron settle-

meet to be uprooted, beld a vigil

a few meters away from the

INTERIOR Minister Eli Suissa

yesterday approved loosening the restrictions for obtaining a gun

Last October, the Interior

Ministry had issued new guide-

lines for granting gun licenses to

private citizens. Since then, the

ministry has received numerous

requests, from groups and individ-

uals, that the new guidelines be

Lowering the minimum age for a privale license from 21 to 20.

IDF, police, or Prisons Service

Lowering the minimum rank of

The changes include:

Suissa lowers restrictions

for obtaining gun license

Jerusalem Post Staff

rally, on the sidewalk near the Prime Minister's Residence. Peace Now general secretary Mossy Raz said they wanted to protest closer to the rally, but were not allowed to do so by the police.

A number of Kach activists were also in attendance at the rally, and distributed a bumper sticker with a picture of Netanyahu and Arafat shaking hands, and the slogan: "This combination is dangerous to

Although the speakers, including deputy educatioo minister Moshe Peled, were careful not to criocize Netanyahu, the same can not be said of their treatment of Shimon Peres.

Nadia Matar, head of the Women in Green, said that Peres is the head of an "anti-Jewish. anti-Zionistic minority" which Netanyabu has 10 stand up

One of the protesters, Kiryat Arba resident Ya acov Garba, who was holding a sign that read "Don't give them more guns," said that the demonstration was noi against Netanyahu, but meant primarily to help him deflect US pressure, and "show the Americans that hundreds of thousands of people in Israel waot Hebron to stay noder

personnel automatically granted

licenses from lieutenant-colonel in

the IDF to second-lieutenant, or

the equivalent rank in the police or

Prisons Service.

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can receive a license regardless of

age or amount of ome spent in the

country, who has the recommen-

dacon of a superior with at least

the rank lieutenant-colonel. This

applies as well to soldiers serving

Labor faccion leader Ra'anan

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cacons by combai veterans.

# Hebron settlers angered by visit of Abed-Rabbo, Tibi

SETTLERS in Hebron yesterday jostled and demanded the removal of a visiting minister of the Palestinian Authority and an adviser to PA Chairman Yasser Arafat, calling them terrorists and recalling the massacre of Jews by Arabs in Hebron in 1929.

The visit by Information Minister Yasser Abed-Rabbo and Arafat adviser Ahmed Tibi, accompanied by Hebron Mayor Mustafa Natshe, surprised settlers and sparked a shoving confrontation that lasted until paratroopers were sent in to prevent violence.

Last week a visit by Labor MK Yael Dayan ended with a cup of scalding tea allegedly being thrown in her face.

Reacting to yesterday's visit, a son of Rabbi Moshe Levinger warned of a "second Tarpat," a reference to the year 1929 when 67 Jews among the several hundred in Hebron were killed by Arab rioters.

Tibi and Abed-Rabbo had just come from the funeral of 11-yearold Hilmi Shoushi, who allegedly was beaten to death on Sunday by the Hadar Betar security chief. "Palestinians inside or outside the Green Line cannot accept the

presence of these people here as

inciters," Tibi said. Hebron settlement head Noam Amon said that the delegation's visit was a "provocation from representatives of a terrorist organiza-

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things that could have ended with a very high price. Why don't the police prevent these types of things? Why do they prevent Jews from going into 90 percent of Hebron, but let these murderers into the Jewish enclave?"

Amon said that the Palestinian Authority's stated goal is to destroy the Jewish settlement in Hebron.

While this visit was taking place, other Palestinians, who want the IDF troops to remain, visited settler leaders in the town and said that redeployment would make it easier for the PA to advance its goal of eradicating the Jewish presence in the town.

In a related development, a handbill was distributed in Kiryat Arba yesterday under the headline. "Directives on how to behave toward a terrorist in a police uni-

The handbill - signed by an orga-nization called Dov, a Hebrew acrony in for "Suppressing Traitors" - reads, "One does not need great sacrifice to destroy the agreement in Hebron. There are other ways to create friction that will harm them."

According to the handbill, "It is forbidden for a terrorist to wander around our areas with a drawn weapon. If you see a terrorist like this, you can open fire to defend

REGULAR AND PRIVATE TOURS

# Syria is not preparing to attack, says Shara

LIAT COLLINS, ARIEH O'SULLIVAN, and news agencies

SYRIAN Foreign Minister Farouk Shara said yesterday that Syria is oot preparing to attack Israel and accused Israeli leaders of voicing the charge in order to avoid making peace.

escalating the situation and massing troops to launch a surprise attack are baseless," Shara said. "Such allegations coming from

the Israeli government are aimed at evading the peace process and the basis oo which it was built," he said at Damascus Airport while seeing off his Russian counterpart, Yevgeny Primakov.

An editorial appearing yesterday in Syria's government-owned Al-Baath newspaper makes strooger charges - accusing Israel of bracing for war - and warns Arabs that it is time to consider options other

than the peace process.

The Israeli guvernment is preparing the region for a new war as an alternative to peace and is beating the drums of war," the editorial reads.

The Arabs have submitted for peace everything which is demanded from them," it continues. "But now, it is high time for them to deal with Israel in the only style it can understand and to look

for new alternatives." The newspaper also said Arabs must move quickly to face the current circumstances and to protect their interests and rights. However, Foreign Mioister David Levy played down rumors of a military confrontation.

There is a flood of statements "Allegations ... that Syria is and it is not healthy. It will achieve the opposite results. If I were an outsider, I would bave reached the conclusion that Israel is terrified," he told the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defense

Committee yesterday. He said Syrian Presideot Hafez Assad must understand that even if he inteods oo using a limited action to get the peace process moving again, he could lose.

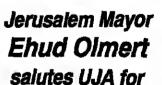
Levy said that peace in the Middle East would not be possible without peace with Syria. In response to a demand by MK Gideon Ezra (Likud) to pull out of the security zone in South Lebanon, Levy said the problems in Lebanon also could not be resolved without peace with Syria. Assad had reason to be disappointed with the previous govern-

Levy continued "Eveo if there was nothing written or signed, statements gave him reason to believe he had a commitment from the Rabin government to a full withdrawal from the

ment on at least three occasions,

Golan Heights. Did the US (Continued on Page 2)





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Mubarak

accuses

Israel of

threatening.

war

SHARM E-SHEIKH (AP) -

President Hosni Mubarak criti-

cized Israel yesterday for what he

called its saber rattling, saying

Israel will not benefit from a new

Mubarak was speaking to reporters after three hours of talks

with Jordan's King Hussein in the

The two leaders also called on

Israel to honor its peace commit-ments, saying that failure to do so

could destroy the entire Middle

Addressing a joint news confer-

ence, they repeated their view that Europe's role in the search for

peace in the area could only com-

plement that of the United States.

"I call on the Israeli government not to threaten war from time to time, because this is a deadly business which will damage both par-

ties," Mubarak said in reply to a

question oo requests by Israeli security chiefs for increased defense spending. "We must for-get the word war if we really want

peace. It is not in the interest of

Israel to continue to threaten war.

It is a dangerous three-lettered

word which has very grave conse-

Mubarak did not name Israel's possible foe in a new Middle East

war, but he was apparently refer-

Middle East war.

East peace process.

but not replace it.

resort town.

# 11-year-old Shoushi laid to rest as alleged assailant remanded

JON IMMANUEL, HERB KEINON and ITIM

THOUSANDS attended the funeral yesterday of Hilmi Shoushi, the 11-year-old boy who died after allegedly being beaten by Hadar Betar security officer Nahum Korman in Shoushi's village of

Husan on Sunday. The Jerusalem Magistrate's Court yesterday extended Korman's remand for three days. It was revealed in court that bone marrow was taken from Shoushi after his death to be transplanted into his two-year-old sister, who

The police requested that Korman's remand be extended for a week, but Judge David Frankel said that four days is sufficient time for the police to build their case and question two other eyewitnesses.

Police representative Shalom Amar, in asking for Korman to be



Nahum Korman, the Hadar Betar security officer suspected of causing the death of 11-year-old Hilmi Shoushi, arrives Jerusalem Magistrate's Court yesterday for a remand (Brim Hendler)

terday acknowledged human-rights problems in Palestinian

areas under his rule, blaming vio-

lations on economic woes and his

must not forget the tragedy of the

economie situation, which leads to

these forms of fanaticism, which

we must act very hard in all direc-

tions against." Arafat said in Oslo.

Complaints of buman rights vio-

Palestinian self-rule authorities

are the one chilly point in other-

wise warm relations between

Arafat and Norway. Norwegians

secretly brokered the historic 1993

We have some problems, but we

battle against fanatics.

held for a week, told the judge that Korman had stopped cooperating with investigators shortly after the incident, making it more difficult. According to Amar, on Sunday afternoon Korman was driving on

the Husan bypass road, when a number of youths began to throw rocks at his car. Korman pursued the youths, and entered Husan. Amar said that in his initial inter-

rogation, when Korman was cooperating with the police, he said that he had approached one of the youths and began yelling at him. Korman said the child collapsed, and he began to try and resuscitate him, then took him to a nearby settlement and called an ambulance.

Amar said that Shoushi's uncle said that Korman spoke to another Jew at the scene, and said, "I only hit him once and he collapsed." Korman's attorneys said their client did touch Shoushi, but did not beat him and only yelled at him. Attorney Avraham Gan-Tzvi

said that he told Korman not to cooperate with the police. Shoushi's funeral passed quietly, hut afterwards dozens of youths, according to reports, threw stones at military jeeps on the nearby bypass road. Soldiers fired tear

gas at the crowd. Women and men marched separately. Youths carried wreaths and Palestinian flags and shouted, "Our stones are like Kalashnikovs."

But national sentiment was subdued, as the grief transcended national feeling. Shoushi's body was covered by an omate, red embroidered blanket and not by a Palestinian flag.

Palestinian Authority Information Minister Yasser Abed-Rabbo and Dr. Ahmed Tibi, an adviser to PA Chairman Yasser

Arafat: Economic woes

During an afternoon news con-

ference, Arafat repeated a claim

that Israeli fanatics were working

with Palestinian fanatics to disrupt

the peace process. The claim, first

made earlier this year, has been

met with international skepticism.

of the borders to Palestinian areas

for causing the economic prob-

very crucial economie situation ...

that is a very good platform for

fanaticism." Arafat said. "We have

Arafat arrived in Oslo on

reached the red line of starvation."

lems that fuel fundamentalism.

He also blamed Israel's elosure



Thousands of mourners attend the funeral yesterday in Husan of 11-year-old Hilmi Shoushi, who died from a blow to the neck after being chased by Hadar Betar security chief Nahum Korman.

Edward Ahington, the US Consul-General, is to pay a condolence visit today.

Abed-Rahbo told reporters, The first thing that has to be done to save the peace process is to dis-

Villagers said they were looking to see how Israeli justice would treat the case. "If an Arab had done this to a Jewish child he would go to prison for life and his

was crazy and send him to jail for three mooths," said a masked youth, who said he supports the

Many of the villagers used to family's house would be work with Israelis before the clo-destroyed. But they will say he sure. Some are Israeli citizens -

Russia's PM says talks

including Hilmi's father, Sa'er Shoushi - who married Husan

"After this, I don't know now if there is a chance we would want to go back and work with them now."

ring to Syria.

His warning came one day after
Defeose Minister Yitzhak
Mordechai said his country will. take the necessary steps" to counter any Syrian move in the Golan Heights. We are experiencing an uncom-

fortable atmosphere at present and we urge everyone to be careful and to walk the path of peace," said King Hussein. Turning to Israel's peace talks with the Palestinians, Mubarak

said: "Both of us are afraid of the situation remaining unchanged. This could lead to the total destruction of the [peace] process."

Hussein, referring to Israel's repeated assertions that it remained committed to peace. said: "Commitment alone is not enough and is also meaningless except when everything that has been agreed upon is carried out."

Missing soldier's

#### must resume on basis of contribute to fanaticism Madrid's land-for-peace OSLO (AP) - Yasser Arafat yestorday acknowledged human the PLO. Oslo Accords between Israel and Monday for a two-day visit, hours after crucial US-led talks stalled Primakov - who signed an eco-Damascus yesterday on the second (Reuter) - Russian Minister Yevgeny leg of a Middle East tour to seek a Foreign

on Hebron. The Palestinian leader brushed off US criticism of the trip's timing, saying that talks are continuing at a lower level and that be remains committed to the peace process.

While saying that Hebron is an important issue, Arafat pointed out other key obstacles, such as an agreement on the touchy issue of Jerusalem. He said be sees no reacapital for both Israelis and Palestinians.

"It would be very difficult to reach peace without a solution on Jerusalem." Arafat said.

Primakov said in Beirut yesterday that the stalled Arab-Israeli peace talks should resume on the basis of the land-for-peace formula adopt-

ed at the 1991 Madrid conference. "We either stick to the founding principles and agreements in this lengthy process or each governvent the continuity of the Middle East peace process," he told reporters after talks with Lebanese counterpart Faris Bouez.

Primakov arrived in Beirut from

more active Russian role in the American-dominated Arab-Israeli peace process.

"We are not trying to go against the Americans. We want to complete the existing orchestra," he

Asked if he discussed with specific proposals to advance the peace process, Primakov replied: "I will not reveal at a news conference the new proposals or those

that might come up."

nomic cooperation protecol between Lebanon and Russia with Bouez - is due to meet with President Elias Hrawi and Prime Minister Rafik Hariri later.

Primakov said at the airport that his country backs the implementation of the 1978 Security Council Resolution 425 calling for an Israeli withdrawal from south Lebanon.

He is to leave Beirut today and visit Egypt, Jordan, Israel, and the Palestinian self-rule areas.

general in Berlin, replacing a

political appointee of the Labor

government, Ya'acov Wismonsky.

# family sees Arafat deputy

Sharon Edri met yesterday with Mahmoud Abbas, Yasser Arafat's No. 2, at his bome in Ramallah to try to get some information about what happened to the soldier. Edri bas been missing since last month. when he disappeared after leaving his base at Tzrifin.

The meeting was coordinated with the Foreign Ministry. To date, no group has taken responsibility. for Edri's disappearance. Itim

# Meretz protests abuse of autistic children in religious program

MICHAL YUDELMAN

THE Meretz Party asked the Netanya police and mayor yesterday to cancel a religious spectacle which makes use of an autistic child to persuade people to "return

The invitations to the womenonly show, scheduled for last night in Netanya's Zachor Ledavid Synagogue, promised a "fascinating spectacle" which would "astound" the viewers with its "far-reaching findings." It was to feature one Shulamit Gatt, whose autistic 10-year-old daughter got her to "rediscover religion" hy means of "divine signals."

A spokesman for the Elad organization, which put on the show, said it consists of a film made a year ago in which the autistic child tells fortunes. He said the organization's goal is to spread Judaism and it acts according to rabbis' rulings.

Meretz leader MK Yossi Sarid called on party activists in Netanya to protest against the show and try to disrupt it in any way within legal boundaries. Na'amat and Alut, an organization which takes care of autistic children, joined the protest, stating that the show consists of abusing helpless minors. Dr. Yitzhak Kadman, chairman

of the Children's Welfare Council, said in the past he had succeeded in canceling a number of similar shows in Holon, Ramat Gan, Rosh Ha'ayin and other places by advismg the police and respective mayors that they were illegal.

#### RESTRICTIONS (Continued from Page 1)

Cohen criticized the decision, saying it contradicts the recommendations of a governmentappointed committee that studied the issue of firearms and the public. He said the committee's findings were that such a decision was liable to increase the use of firearms in an irresponsible manner. Cohen urgently requested that the Interior Committee meet to

## Sinai Campaign marked ·

VETERANS of the 1956 Sinai Campaign marked the operation's 40th anniversary last night with a festive dinner in Tel Aviv, hosted by The Friends of the Open University.

National Infrastructure Minister Ariel Sharon, who was the commander of the paratrooper brigade which jumped at Mitla Pass, said it was a "daring operation." Arieh O'Sullivan

With deep sadness we announce the passing of

# IRVING LEVINE 577

Beloved father and devoted grandfather The funeral will take place on Thursday, October 31, two hours after the arrival of El Al flight #014 (due at

1:50 p.m.) at Eretz Hachaim Cemetery, Shimshon Junction. Harry Levine and family

Shiva at the Levine residence, 6 Rehov Ray Ashi, Jerusalem.

# DAVID MAKOVSKY

ZVI Mazel was named yesterday to fill the vacant post of ambassador to Egypt. Mazel, who speaks Arabic and

served as a diplomat in Cairo wheo Israel first established an embassy there in 1980, is currently deputy director-general for African affairs. Previously he served as Israel's ambassador to Romania.

The position of ambassador to Cairo has been vacant for several months. Former envoy David Sultan, who is currently ambassador to Ottawa, was the subject of death threats amid baseless charges in the Egyptian opposition press, which claimed he participated in the killing of Egyptian prisoners of war in 1967. Shortly thereafter, Sultan moved back to Israel and periodically traveled to

In another important appointment, Aharon Lopez, an Orthodox Jew and career diplomat, was named last night as Israel's next ambassador to the Holy See.

Lopez, who replaces Shmuel Hadas as Israel's ambassador to the Vatican, is currently Foreign Ministry director for the Pacific region. Israel and the Vatican estabished diplomatic ties in 1994. "I view relations with the

(Continued from Page 1) encourage that impression? I have

oo doubt. Was it done without the

knowledge of the Israeli govern-

ment? I'm not so sure." Levy

He said, however, that Israel is

trying to find a formula which

would enable the resumption of

Meanwhile, security sources

dismissed reports from Lebanon

that Syria had moved Seud mis-

siles toward the Bekaa Valley.

The reports from Beirut are just

disinformation," a security source

Internal Security Minister Avigdor Kahalani also said yes-

terday that be doubts Syria would

make any moves that could be

interpreted as threatening Israeli

civilians, and that it was more likely Syria hoped to extract

political concessions from Israel.

"I assume that the Syrians will

talks with Damascus.

Netanyahu and Foreign Minister Vatican as one of the most impor-

Foreign

Diplomat named ambassador to Egypt

tant challenges for an Israeli diplomat," Lopez said last night. Despite all the historical baggage, I see tremendous potential to . develop rich and varied relations." When asked bow he felt as an

Orthodox Jew to be named to such a post, Lopez declined comment. Apart from Lopez, there were eight other ambassadorial appointments last night at the Foreign Ministry's senior diplomatic

appointments committee meeting. While oone of those chosen yesterday are political appointees, it should be noted that many new plum diplomatic postings were not filled yesterday. Among the ambassadorial positions still expected to be named shortly are: United Nations, UK, Russia, and Turkey. The UN position has been vacant for several months, and political appointees of the last government remain in their posts

It is expected that many of these appointments, along with the consul-general position in New York, will be political ones, and will divided among people close to Prime Minister Binyamin Prime

both in Russia and Turkey.

David Levy. Below is a rundown of other

ambassadorial appointments made yesterday: Amos Nadai, head of the

Ministry's human resources division, was named to Norway; Naturi Miron, currently deputy director-general for Eastern European affairs, was named eovoy to Switzerland; Yigal Entenbe, department head of the Africa One division, was named to Poland; David Sasson. who just finished his tenure as ambassador to Greece, was named to open up the first Israeli embassy in Yugoslavia since 1967; Alec Millman, head of the Russia desk. was named to Azerbaijan; Yisrael Mai-Ami, currently deputy chief of mission in Alma-Ata, Kazakhstan, was named to the top slot there; Ori Noi, who just completed his tenure as ambassador to Ethiopia, was named to Chile; and Ya'acov Bracha, who is currently ambassador to Panama, was

named to Costa Rica. Miriam Shomrat, Foreign Ministry head of protocol, was also named last night as consul-

# ATTACK

not start attacking civilian populations, because they don't want us to do it to them," Kahalani said on Israel Radio.

However, he added that Israel is prepared for any event. "If we bave to respond, we will respond," Kahalani said.

The IDF Spokesman declined to comment on the report from Lebanon. On the Golan Heights yesterday, IDF forces carried out

brigade-level maneuvers under the eyes of the Syrians. The annual Nahal Brigade exereise involving armored personnel carriers and tanks was routine, OC Central Command Maj.-Gen. Uzi Dayan said.

"The brigade is ready for all kinds of missions," Dayan said. "I am not looking for war and I am not foreseeing any war. We are just training here in order to be ready for any mission."

Dayan said the drill was planned a year ago, and that it is a coincidence the exercise was being held at a time of such ten-Ston with Syria.

"We are not planning or looking for war. We are training for routine security operations," Dayan said. "At this stage, it is preferable to tone down things, [but] we are doing what we have to do to

# SOCIAL & PERSONAL

THE WEEKLY MEETING of the English-speaking Jerusalem Rotary Ctub will take place today at 1:00 p.m. at the YMCA, King Oavid Street, Mr. Daniel Avidor will speak on "Latin America and Is-rael in the eye of Aurora."

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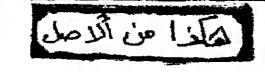
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discuss transport

technicalities

AMMAN (AP) - Jordanian and Israeli transport officials opened

talks yesterday on technical and security issues related to the move-ment of passengers, vehicles, and goods between the countries.

The talks come eight months

after the two countries signed a

transport cooperation agreement

in line with their 1994 peace treaty.

Among other things, the trans-port agreement allows vehicles

from both sides to cross into the

other country's territory.

Israeli and Jordanian officials were tight-lipped about the outcome of yesterday's 90-minute

meeting. The meeting's agenda, obtained from Jordanian and

Israeli officials, showed that both

sides sought to discuss technical

issues such as vehicle's insurance

cost and duration, cargo crossing and handling fees at border points,

and removing restrictions on ferry

Transport Ministry deputy

Langental and his Jordanian

counterpart, Issa Ayyoub, declined

to spell out what the problems

"We started to discuss [prob-lems]," Langental said. "We will

come to conclusion next week or

next month, we decided to take

some points ... to subcommittees."

director-general

**NEWS** 

Hundreds of pensioners protest proposed budget implementation

HUNDREDS of pensioners from around the country gathered yeslerday in the pouring rain outside the Knesset to call on the governmeni noi io adopi a budgei thai would harm their livelihoods. The protest coincided with the Knessel debate on the new bud-

Your battle is not a political one, it is a battle for justice. You are the ones we owe a debt to. because it is thanks to you that we are here today. You built the state and created all the infrastructure. It is unacceptable that the state try and harm you." Histadrut Chairman Amir Peretz said at the protest, which the pensioners' branch of the Histadrut orga-

Peretz said he had asked Finance Minister Dan Meridor to explain how the pensioners would be able to cover their medical expenses if the budget is

implemented as is. "Now that medications will be more expensive, will the elderly be pressured to use them less? Perhaps the finance minister thinks they will be healthier in the wake of the new law," Peretz

Hadash MK Tamar Gozansky.



Gideon Ben-Yisrael (right), head of the Histadrut's pensioners' branch, and hundreds of other pensioners protest opposite the Knesset against proposed budget cuts, which the Knesset debated yesterday. The placard calls on the prime minister to 'keep your promises.'

Labor MK Ephraim Sneh, Meretz Shlomo Ben-Ami, and other the next election the public would MK Anat Maor. Likud MK politicians joined the protesters. Gozansky warned MKs that in Naomi Blumenthal, Labor MK

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# **Health Ministry** transfers NIS 2m. to struggling **MDA**

JUDY SIEGEL

THE Health Ministry recently transferred NIS 2 million to Magen David Adom, which has a NIS 40m. deficit and may be unable to pay workers their October salaries this week.

Ministry associate director-general Dr. Boaz Lev said the sum is the ministry's remain-ing debt to MDA, and that the first-aid. ambulance, and blood-supply organization is still owed considerable fuods by municipalities and the health funds.

MDA management said yesterday that in addition to not having enough money to pay salaries, "dozens" of its ambulances are off the road because it cannot afford repairs and regular maintenance. In additioo, there is a shortage of sterile gloves and sbeets, MDA said. The MDA workers' union declared a work dispute on Monday.

Lev said that the ministry supports MDA's demand to become a recognized emergency organization, like the Fire Service, whose budget is provided on an on-going hasis by the Treasury, but without employees being state workers.

MDA underwent a painful

recovery program, cutting staff and reducing the number of stations, a few years ago, but according to Lev, this "did oot solve the basic funding prob-

# **Education Ministry** adopts new system to select bagrut subjects

THE number of high school matriculation (bagrut) exams will not be increased this year, but the system for choosing which exams will be excluded has been changed, the Education Ministry spokesman said yesterday.

The new system is designed to ensure that Jewish subjects and the humanities would oot be deleted from the list of subjects in which the pupils are examined for a period of several years, he said. To this end, it was decided to form three clusters of subjects: English and mathematics; Bible and

civics; and history and Hebrew. The computer which chooses the subjects in which the pupils will not be examined will be programmed so that an entire cluster

cannot disappear from the list. However, the choice will remain random, as in the previous two

Education Minister Zevulun Hammer said that the choice would be made as late as technically possible so that the pupils would continue applying themselves to all subjects till near the end of the academic year. He said that ooly ministry and pupilrepre-seotatives would be on hand when the choice is made and that a lawyer would oversee the process.

"There will be no more festivals," he said, referring to the pub-lic "lotteries" in which the exams

were chosen previously. The universities have approved the new system, Hammer added.

#### New BGU facility aims to fill need for telecommunications engineers JUDY SIEGEL

PELEPHONE and Cellcom have had to hire 100 foreign telecommunications engineers to develop their infrastructure, because of the short-

age of Israeli engineering graduates, according to Elisha Yannai, managing director of Motorola-At a ceremony marking the dedication of a department for training telecommunications systems engi-

neers at Ben-Gurion University, Yannai said that with the arrival of a third provider of cellular phone service (soon to be selected by public tender), the shortage of specialists will be even more severe, reaching about 150.

Yannai added that the financial activity of the world's high-tech industries currently totals \$1 trillion a year, and 10% of the gross nationproduct in the world is in the telecommunications field. In Israel, high-tech industry totals \$6 billion in activity, expected to multiply

itself seven to 10 times by the year 2010. "With many minds like yours, the sky will be the limit," Yannai told the new department's

Bezeq Director-General Yitzhak Kaul said the need for qualified engineers in the field of communications requires a major change in educational institutions, including the establishment of separate faculties. BGU's new department is a "breakthrough," and other universities are sure to fol-

low, he added. Forty percent of all Israeli homes have a computer, which is a higher rate than in Western Europe. The average cellular phone user here speaks three times as many minutes

as their American counterpart. According to the head of the new department, Dr. Ran Giladi, 800 applicants vied for 80 places in the department. Only 10 percent of those accepted are women.

#### Hepatitis A serum available soon JUDY SIEGEL

A SHIPMENT of 20,000 units of immune gamma globulin serum for preventing hepatitis A in those exposed to the virus has arrived. Promedico, the importer of the passive vaccine, said yesterday the vials will be released to hospitals, health funds, and private pharmacies immediately after they are registered and released by the Health Ministry.

Gamma globulin protects against hepatitis A, a common infectioo spread by direct contact or by fecal-infected food or water. It occurs most often in kindergartens and coy-cate centers, as well as in large families living under crowded coy-direct. Symptoms — including weakness and the yellowing of the skin — are unpleasant, but the disease is usually followed by a complete recovery in people oot suffering

from chronic illnesses. There is a worldwide shortage of immune gamma globulin, due to the fact that it is produced from blood plasma. Because of concern that blood products could spread AIDS and hepatitis B, gamma globulin must be produced under the strictest control and supervision, and this slows production. Most countries that produce it divert supplies to their own citizens first and export the rest only when available. Promedico said it made a "special effort" to obtain the 20,000 units, which are enough to cover local needs for six months.

An active vaccination against hepatitis A is also available. More expensive but easier to obtain than immune gamma globulin, its main benefit is that it offers life-loog protection from the disease.

# Internet company delivers E-mail to Western Wall

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We are getting between 15 and 20 messages a day from all over the world," Avi Moskowitz, president of Virtual Jerusalem, said yesterday. Once a month, we go out there, take all the prayers we receive and deliver them to the

Moskowitz, originally from New York, said his company tioes not read the E-mail, which a computer program prints on to are stuffed in the Wall's crevices along with band-written messages left there.

The service is free and available on Virtual Jerusalem's bome page at http://www.virtual.co.il.
The Religious Affairs Ministry

has operated a prayer-faxing service to the Wall for several years.

Moskowitz said his company's site contains the largest collec-tion of Israel and Jewish-related material on the World Wide Web and that it plans to broadcast a live video picture from the Western Wall during Hanukka.

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struck on Turkey's most sacred

day yesterday, killing themselves

and four others in the second

human bomh attack in less than a

Police said a female Kurdistan

Workers Party (PKK) guerrilla

blew up an explosive device

strapped to her body when she and another rebel were in a police car after being detained in the central town of Sivas.

We have three police martyrs,"

a police spokesman told Reuters.

He said the other rebel and a civil-ian also died.

The guerrillas had prohably planned a suicide attack during a

military parade in the town for Tuesday's Republic Day, a nation-

al holiday that marks Turkey's

It was the third such attack since Kurdish rebels fighting for self-rule in southeast Turkey launched

a campaign of suicide bomhings in

July. All three bombers have been

Exiled rebel leader Abdullah Ocalan has urged his forces to turn

themselves into human bombs.

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Security had been stepped up

throughout the country in fear of

PKK disrupcion to yesterday's cel-

ebrations. The public was kept away from a military march in

central Ankara attended by Prime

Minister Necmettim Erbakan and

President Suleyman Demirel. Security officials said police

had prevented a suicide bombing

on another parade yesterday, in the southeastern city

They said a male PKK fighter

Anatolian news agency quoted

the would-be bomber, named as

Abdurrahman Marangoz, as say-

ing a leading PKK commander

code-named Dr. Suleyman had

chosen him from among 100 guer-

rillas at a mountain camp for the

out a suicide attack in Diyarbakir

on October 29 for Republic Day, I

accepted the duty," it quoted

Marangoz as saying.

"Dr. Suleyman told me to carry

intending to blow himself was arrested over the weekend.

Diyarbakir.

em city of Adana last Friday.

Ciller slammed the bombers.

GUNMEN throwing hand grenades killed 15 people and wounded more in a drive-by attack yesterday at a crowded intersectioo in south Mogadishu, witness-

The attack was the most serious breach of the cease-fire in the divided capital. It promises to ruin talk of peace agreed on earlier this month by Somalia's three main faction leaders.

Eight men and a woman died on the spot after five gummen driving hy south Mogadishu's husy Barubah junction in a pickup truck opened fire with machine guns and threw hand grenades into a group of passersby.

The junction is in the part of Mogadishu controlled by militiamen loyal to faction leader

Aidid condemned the attack as

HAROUN HASSAN MOGADISHU, Somalia

ordered his security forces to arrest anyone suspected of being

Four more people died later in hospital, and two more died of wounds by late yesterday as another 15 remained in critical condition, hospital sources said.

The attack took place shortly after I p.m. local time. Two weeks ago, the three faction leaders agreed in Nairobi, Kenya, to a cease-fire. But they had oot been able to work out the details.

The October 16 accord also called for an ongoing dialogue on national reconciliation, something Somali factions have been unsuccessfully pursuing since the Horn of Africa nation disintegrated into a fiefdom of warring factions in 1991.

Rival forces loyal to faction leader Osman Hassan Ali, known as Atto, were suspected of carrying out the attack, apparently in retaliation for the killing of three of Atto's senior officials late last

Although Aidid did oot oame Atto, his officials said privately that they believed Atto's forces were responsible for the attack.

Mogadishu is divided among factions loyal to Aidid and Atto who are fighting for the control of the southern half - and those of Ali Mahdi Mohammed, who controls the northern half.

Hussein Aidid assumed the post when his father, Gen. Mohammed Farrah Aidid, died of gunshot wounds in August. Aidid's followers hlame Atto's g...nmen for shooting Geo. Aidid during an August 1 battle for the south Mogadishu section of Medina.



An injured Taleban fighter stands with others at a prisoner-of-war camp set up hy ousted Afghan government military com-mander Ahmad Shad Masood in Borak in the Panjsher Valley recently. Masood's men say some 25 Pakistani soldiers are being

# **Anti-Taleban forces** make gains as Iran hosts talks

KABUL, Afghanistan (Reuter) - Dostum will be engulfed," Mutaqi The forces of a northern alliance have pushed hack the Talehan militia in fighting in the remote northwest of Afghanistan, reliable sources said yesterday.

Iran opened a conference in Tehran to seek a solution to the Afghan crisis, hut Pakistan, a key player in neighboring Afghanistan, stayed away from

The Talehan, who took Kabul a month ago, have said their forces captured Badghis province on the border with Turkmenistan late last week and were driving on Maimana, capital of neighboring Faryab province.

Acting Information Minister Amir Khan Mutaqi told a news conference yesterday that Badghis was calm and "hig changes will happen in the north in the very

"The majority of commanders in the north have close links with the [Taleban] Islamic state. An uprising will start in the north and

But reliable sources said 2,000 meo dispatched by oorthern Uzbek leader Abdul Rashid Dostum to meet the threat oo a new front had counter-attacked successfully.
The Kahul-based sources, who

have contacts with the region, said Dostum forces led by General Malik, who uses only one name, captured the town of Bala

Morghab, some 60 km inside Badghis province on Sunday, "Yesterday, there was fighting near Qalaye-i-Naw," said ooe source of the Badghis capital another 80 km into the province, "Our information is that Geoeral Malik is still advancing."

If Dostum could recapture

Badghis, he would be in a position to threaten the western city of Herat, where there is a hig population of ethnic Taiiks, cousins to the people of Dostum ally Ahmad Shah Masood, the ousted government military chief.

briefing, "you have so disturbed

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of finding anything after that are

to return all of the victims' posses-

sions to their families, said James

Kallstrom, chief FBI investigator.

at the same hriefing. Forensic test-

ing on their personal effects has been completed, he said.

Looking weary. Francis, who

Investigators also have decided

fairly minimal."

# UN seeks satellite photos to trace Zaire refugees

**ELIF KABAN** 

THE Uoited Natioos appealed urgently yesterday for Western satellite pictures to trace hundreds of thousands of refugees who could face death as they flee ethnic conflict in eastern Zaire.

Augustine Mahiga, regional coordinator for the UN High Commissioner for Refugees, said his agency had no access to up to 400,000 Rwandan Hutus cut off in WU,WU oo the run in Uvira and Bukavu

He told a news conference that UNHCR and aid agencies, which have pulled out of Bukavu and Uvira because of a lack of security, had oo way of knowing what

the refugees were up to. "We have requested governments to give us satellite information. The first response was very positive," said Mahiga.

A UNHCR spokesman said the US government was among those approached for satellite informa-

The refugees are fleeing clashes between ethnic Banyamuleoge Tutsi fighters and Zaire's unpaid troops, notoriously more interest-

watched others kill during 1994's Hutu-led genocide of Tutsis. ln Brussels, the European Union's aid commissioner Emma

Bukavu.

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ed in looting than in fighting. Many Rwandans killed or

Bonino said one million people could die in Zaire and called for

Zaire's sick and absent president, Mobutu Sese Seko, placed the east of his country under military rule yesterday. But it was not clear whether Mobutu, in Switzerland for medical treatment. had the clout to win back lost ter-

ritory quickly.
In the meantime, as pictures of columns of refugees moving in tea plantatioos fill Western television screens, there have been no credihle wimess accounts of the fight-

Banyamulenge fighters are reported to have seized large parts of eastern Zaire in a lightning advance. Zaire has accused Rwanda of invading. Rwanda's Tutsi-dominated government which took power after the genocide of 1994 has denied the

Mahiga said 300,000 Rwandan and Burundian Hutu refugees were moving south of Uvira and 100,000 moving north towards

As the crisis unfolds, Mahiga said UNHCR had had no direct contact with Mohutu, who has been undergoing prostate cancer treatment in Switzerland since August and is living in a luxury hotel in Lausanne on the shores of Lake Geneva.

Mohutu's prolonged absence has raised fears among European politicians and diplomats that the mineral-rich Central African nation could disintegrate. (Reuter)

# After 36 hours in darkness, 2 women pulled from rubble

CAIRO (AP) - For 36 hours, Samantha Miksche was entombed in the darkness of a collapsed 12story apartment huilding. The teenager heard the cries of other survivors, the barking of search dogs and the rumble of equipment boring through the ruins.

Yesterday, exhausted rescue workers pulled her and a friend from the rubble - bruised and bleeding, but alive.

"I'm very tired," said Miksche, a 17-year-old American from Los Angeles whose mother was among dozens of people still missmg as the desperate search for survivors entered its third day.

In heart-wrenching scenes, hundreds of people waited near the ruins, some of them demanding justice and others begging for their trapped friends and relatives to somehow leave the rubble.

A breeze carried the stench of death over the site. Ten teenagers sat in a circle, each reading from a small Koran. At times, some would cry or hug a companion. waiting for news about relatives or frieods trapped inside.

Workers, some of whom had not slept for 48 hours, used cranes, shovels, picks and their bare hands to search for survivors amid the wreckage of lost lives - a bloodied pillow, a hlue purse, a picture frame, eveo a school notebook.

"The child who was doing his homework, what did he do to deserve to die?" shouted a woman

who collapsed in the street. By nightfall yesterday, the death toll rose to at least 20, but dozens more were still missing and feared dead, police said. At least 23 survivors have been rescued since the collapse Sunday night, but until the

two women were found yesterday, 21 hours had gone by without any-one being found alive, police said. As many as 150 people, most of them Egyptians, were believed to have been in the huilding's apartments and offices.

Workers pulled Miksche and her 19-year-old friend, Noha Fawzi, after dawn from a hallway that had oot collapsed in a second-floor apartment, which Miksche was considering renting.

Both womeo could hear the rumble of equipment removing slabs of concrete, twisted metal and pulverized masonry from above them, said Noha Wagih, a friend of Miksche's at the hospital. Sniffing dogs brought by German rescue workers located them, alerting workers who fol-

lowed their shouts for help, Wagih

Morey Amsterdam, comic actor on 'Dick Van Dyke Show', dies

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Various Hollywood reference books listed his hirthday as December 14 in 1912 or 1914. making him 81 or 83. His former co-star Rose Marie said he was 87.

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Born in Chicago, Amsterdam started in vaudeville and perradio in the 1930s. In the late 1940s, he moved to television.

and Marie, on the 1960s hit comedy.

"He was just a very dear sweet man," said Marie, who played Sally Rogers on The Dick Van Dyke Show. "He knew every joke, he knew every switch on every joke. His mind was the greatest

Amsterdam suffered a heart attack at home and died at Cedars Sinai Hospital early Monday, said hospital spokesman Ron Wise.

formed in nightclubs before doing

Amsterdam played Buddy Sorrell, part of a television writing team that included Dick Van Dyke

"There was something ageless with him. Probably 100,000 jokes in his head went with him," Van

# TWA crash investigators to scrape ocean floor

NEW YORK (Reuter) - After more than three months searching for clues to the TWA Flight 800 crash, With trawling, he so disturbed briefing, "you have so disturbed investigators said on Monday they will scrape up the underwater crash site in hopes of finding the key to the July 17 disaster.

The decisioo to trawl the ocean bottom, using rakes to dig up six to 12 inches (15-30 cm) of the sea floor, marks a turning point in the investigation because the process will irretrievably damage the crash site, said Robert Francis, vice

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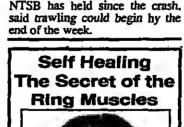
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RCHEOLOGISTS based ner of the eastern harbor, close to where the Pharos or lighthouse stood in classical times.

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Alexandria was built for the Macedonian warrior Alexander the Great from the late fourth century BCE.

The Ptolemies, a dynasty founded by one of his generals, ruled Egypt from the city until the Roman invasion and it remained the capital of the country until the Arab conquest in the seventh century CE.

# Yemen to face population explosion

VEMEN must immediately implement family-planning programs or face a population explosion, the head of the country's Population Council said Saturday.

Mohammed Al Haj said Yemen's present population of around 17 miltion could rise to over 31 million by the year 2012. Addressing a population conference currectly held in San'a, the Yeneni capital, he said that 1,800 babies are born every day in Yemen.

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President Jacques Chirac during his Middle East tour, in Jerusalem.

Damascus that they should not expect anything new from this visit. The declared principle of self-deterPINHAS INBARI

mination for Middle Eastern nations appeared favorable 10 the Palestinians. but, speaking in general terms. Chirac was not careful enough to limit the principle to the Palestinians, which could raise hopes with the Kurds who are now struggling to achieve the same goal. As much as the Kurds may notice the French attitude, all other regional powers, including Turkey and Iraq, will watch it with concern.

Chirac's visit to Beirut annoyed Damascus further, when at a meeting with students at the French-Cultural Center, he announced that he favored a Syrian withdrawal from Lebanon.

President Chirac was warmly received by the Palestinian Authority. But while French declarations were staunchly pro-Palestinian, a careful reading of his address to the Palestinian Legislative Council may reveal difficulties with the Palestinians as well. Chirac stressed the need to encourage democracy in the PA as a factor for

promoting economic development and reducing violence in the area. In this appeal he hinted at the serious difficulties between the donor countries. prominent amongst them the European

countries, and the PA.
Although the donor countries are interested in having their financial support for the Palestinians invested in the economy, the PA prefers to divert it into establishing its military force.
These differences are real, not super-

ficial, and as Europe is interested in transforming the Middle East into civil and prosperous communities - to stop immigration to Europe and to reduce fundamentalist emotions around the Mediterranean - the economic support to the Palestinians is regarded by the Europeans as especially important. The failure of this support may have serious consequences on the overall European policy in the Middle East.

This point was further emphasized in Beirut. Chirac reprimanded the



Syrian President Hafez Assad: Flattered by Chirac's visit to Damascus, annoyed by his visit to (Reuter, file photo)

Maronite students for not participating. in the Lebanese elections, which were important for creating an atmosphere to

enable the return of the emigrant Lebanese community back home from their diaspora.

In his address to the Palestinian Legislative Council, Chirac only implied French concern about the fundamentalist sentiments, whereas in Amman he was more specific. He stressed that there is no conflict between the West and Islam. His speech was welcomed with applause -including by Moslem Brethren deputies - but his embrace of Arafat annoyed both the Moslem Brethren in Amman and the Jordanian government. They treated their guest well, but sioce he showed preference to the PA, he cannot expect an exchange from Washington

To sum up: Chirac's tour reminded us that Europe has vital interests in the well being of and peace process in the Middle East

But, in this complicated area, balances should be carefully measured. Challenging the US raises national esteem in France, but in reality, it may turn out to be counter-productive to real European interests.

# UN aid agencies alarmed at Iraqi malnutrition

The Jerusalem Post Wednesday, October 30, 1996

**EVELYN LEOPOLD** 

N aid agencies expressed alarm on Monday at the lack of food, medicine and clean water in Iraq. They estimated that 4,500 children were dying monthly, partly because of stringent trade sanc-

mediator in the area.

Chirac decided to commence his tour

in Damascus. The Syrian leadership was certainly flattered by this decision.

and may consider it as a token that

France regards Syria as a pivotal power. The ensuing French presidential

declarations, however, made it elear to

France either.

Of the \$39.9 million requested in a September appeal, only 4 percent (\$1.6 million) was received, from the Netherlands and from France, according to Yasushi Akashi, the undersecretary-general for humanitarian

Carol Bellamy, the director of UNICEF, told a news conference that 4,500 children under five were dying each month from hunger and disease and some "modest financing" at least was

UNICEF officials later said that this figure was given by the Iraqi government but nevertheless was an indication of the erisis. Other humanitarian groups said 4,500 appeared valid.

According to Catherine Bertini, director of the UN World Food Program, "The humanitarian situation throughout Iraq is dismal. and with the onset of winter, will become critical for tens of thousands of women, children and other Iraqis who already are living well below the poverty level."

Bertini said she needed \$19 million for 2.1 million "highly vulnerable" people, including 900,000 war widows, 180,000 malnourished children under five and 200,000 pregnant or nursing mothers. UNICEF needs \$10 million for essential medicine and nutritional supplements for

Akashi said that one reason for the paucity of funds was the expectation that an oil-for-food plan would go into effect shortly. This arrangement, still to be implemented, allows Iraq to sell \$2 hillion worth of oil to purchase food, medicine and other UN sanctions were imposed in August 1990.

Washington, Department spokesman Nicholas Burns reacted coolly to the reports. He said the administration bas long felt the Iraqi people had suffered because of President Saddam Hussein's rule. "If he started taking some of that personal fortune and maybe spending it on his own population, then I think the Iraqi people would be better off. And if he hadn't thrown roadblocks in the way. UN resolution 986 [setting out the oil-for-food plan] could have gone forward long ago," Burns added. He said that US officials would review the data from aid agencies.

Humanitarian goods are exempled from the sanctions but lead has said that the impact of the embargoes on its infrastrueture has added to the disastrous Situation.

The latest delay in implementing the oil-for-food deal came after Iraq insisted on curbing the freedom of movement for UN staff, limiting their numbers and choosing local personnel to work with the UN.

Both Bertini and Bellamy said their staffs had encountered no difficulties.

Akashi said Iraq's UN envoy. Nizar Hamdoon, told bim that these issues could be resolved if the Security Council's sanctions committee would approve a new oil pricing formula under which various types of petroleum would be sold.

Iraq, last Thursday, submitted a new formula. Its previous one, in August, was approved by all committee members except the US, which gave no reason for its

The new appeal for Iraq was from October to December, and would be suspended or re-examined if the oil-for-food plan were implemented, Akasbi said. It was to cover more than 7 million people in all parts of Iraq. (Reuter)

Czech president Vaclav Havel meets in Prague with Princess Tharwat, the wife of the Jordanian Crown Prince Hassan, during her official visit to his country.

# Kabul's warzone zoo a going concern

THE only visitors to Kabul's shell-shocked zoo these days are kids with no school to go to and Taleban fighters arriving noisily in commandeered pickups for a break from the front line. Caught in the middle of factional fighting a few years ago, Kabul zoo does not have much left to offer. The entrance is an unprepossessing archway off one of Kabul's most

heavily-bombed streets. in the courtyard, a mangy dog as gray as the tarmac lies in the sun recovering from injuries sustained when he was mauled in the lion's

lair a few days ago. No one seems too sure how he got there, but the dog seems used to it.

like most of the animals here, he was wounded during the shelling Kabul has endured on and off for years. The Islamist Taleban now rule the capital, but an alliance - which

includes the ousted government is again within shelling range. This is not welcome news for the zoo or its keepers Naqibullah, 30, and Mohammed Aqbar, who says

he "might be about 50" years old. "We need to take care of these animals, It's a saying of the Lord that we should look after human beings and animals," says Naqibullah, who has been working

here for seven years. Throughout the 200 are signs of destruction wrought by the country's civil war. The main building is just a pockmarked shell, its concrete beams arched to the ground, the first floor entirely hlasted from artillery firing from a nearby hill.

The dilapidated cages and overgrown enclosures bear little resemblance to a 1976 guidebook which describes a zoo "built according to modern concepts," offering an aquarium, zoological museum, a home to yaks, a tiny wildcat, owis, Chinese pheasants, two chimpanzees, kangaroos, raccoons, and JEREMY WAGSTAFF.

an Indian elephant. Aqbar says all these have gone, although the Indian government in 1992 offered a replacement when the elephant was killed by a rocket. "India wanted to donate an ele-

where to put it now and we couldn't afford the \$16,000 freight, we had to say no," he says ruefully. It may be just as well. Those ani-

phant but as we don't have any-

mals that have survived years of bombardment and hardship do not look in good shape. One of the bears still carries shrapnel in a paw. The male lion became hlind after

a man, taking revenge for when it mauled a cousin who entered the den on a dare, threw a grenade in his face. Only the monkeys seem playful enough, leaping around their cage as Taleban fighters and children watch. Nagibullah mildly cuffs a youngster for teasing one of the monkeys.

The worst damage was caused between 1992 and 1994, the two keepers say, when they bad to dig a trench from the river so they could creep in to feed the animals as the zoo was in the middle of a free-fire zone. "I remember when I wanted to bring meat for the animals but because of the intensity of the firing I was not even able to cross the road," says Nagibullah.

Of 95 animals and birds the zoo boasted in 1983, only a handful remain, including four Afghan rab-bits, two Afghan geese, two Afghan monkeys, one Afghan fox, three Afghan bears and an Afghan pig, which at 20 years old is the zoo's oldest resident.

The last Afghan deer perished two years ago, either from shrapnel wounds or through theft by a hungry neighbor. The last member of the bird

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enclosure, a vulture, died two months ago, although in a nearby cage two Afghan geese still appear alive and well, squawking at a rare visitor.

Aqbar, who has been with the zoo for 17 years, says it is a far cry from the zoo's heyday, when it played host to up to 3,000 visitors a day. Now it is lucky to get 20, most of them gun-toting Taleban looking for a distraction from war.

The Taleban are not from Kabul but they have heard of the zoo, so they want to see it," he says, as several bearded fighters emerge from behind the tinted glass of a jeep and wander around, toying with a cou-

ple of foxes before leaving. Both he and Naqibullah have dreams of returning the zoo to its former glory with government and foreign help. "Only if we have peace and if Afghans are united again can the zoo be rebuilt," Agbar says. He has made a start for the past two weeks he has been rebuilding a shack he says he hopes could be

used to sell refreshments to visitors. But for now things look bleak. There is no running water and no electricity. The Taleban administration provides food for the animals but for some reason an entrance fee is oo longer charged.

There is no sign of assistance from the foreign zoos Kabul used to exchange species with. Aqbar bimself sleeps on the

premises, inside the charred ruin of the main building, which sports lit-tle more than the horns of a Marco Polo deer and graffiti extolling the virtues of Masood's forces, a relic of previous fighting.
"I feel extremely sad about this

place. I have spent part of my life nurturing these animals. What has happened is very shocking to me," Aqbar says, his dark, gray-bearded face looking around mournfully.

# No looking allowed for Sudan's men, women

MOHAMED OSMAN

HE city government in Khartoum has issued a wide-ranging law designed to enforce the separation of men and women in public places and ban certain practices perceived as

A new "public order law," which was made public this month, requires physical barriers between men and women at such social events as weddings, parties and picnics, and orders that they not sit facing each other.

It also requires buses to display a verse from the Koran asking Moslems to not look at members of the opposite sex. The law specifies streets must be well-lit to prevent couples from escaping into the

The law, issued by the Khartoum Council, did not say what the punishments would be, but the tone was reminiscent of Iran's enforcement of strict Islamic laws after the 1979 revolution. The council urged a media campaign to explain the law to the public.

The law was apparently inspired by. President Omar el-Bashir's Moslem fundamentalist government. Sharia, or Islamic law, was adopted in Sudan in 1983, but it was given a new thrust when el-Bashir took power in a bloodless coup in 1989.

However, an earlier attempt to enforce what the government saw as Islamic dress for women -- wearing the veil to cover the hair - was rejected by Sudanese women, who did not want to give up their colorful "tobes," flowing gowns similar to Indian saris.

The new law does not enforce wearing the veil, but it ordered women working in restaurants not to wear jewelry or perfume. Women who do late-night shopping must be accompanied by a male relative.

There were also other requirements. Men should cover their bodies well, apparently not to create temptation, and not hirk outside girls' schools.

Women cannot sit near the driver on buses. Male students must be separated from females in private schools, as they already are in pub-

lic schools. Card playing is prohibited in pub-lic in line with Islamic strictures on gambling. Women's sporting events must be held in private, and the athletes cannot wear tight-fitting clothes. Women performing Sudanese folk dances must wear

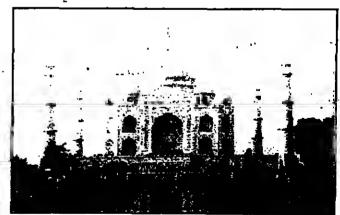
long, loose-fitting costumes. Bashir's government bas exempted Sudan's southern Christians from Islamic laws, and consideration is being given to extending the exemption to Christians in the Moslem-majority

The adoption of the strict law by the city government in the capital raised the prospect that other Moslem-majority cities would adopt similar laws. However, it was not clear such a move was

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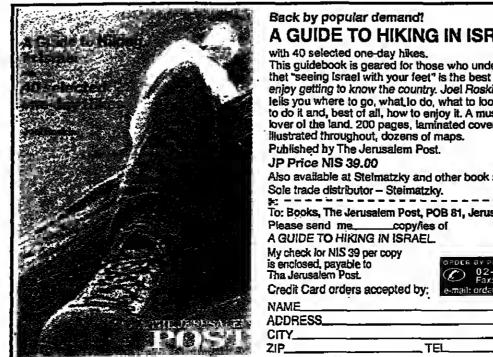
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# Shahak's complaint

HIEF of General Staff Amnon Lipkin-Shahak chose the unlikely setting of a highly ceremonial and exceptionally emotional event - Yitzhak Rabin's first annual memorial - in order to lament what he sees as the decline of public respect for the IDF. .

Shahak's speech, in which he expressed a longing for an ostensibly better past when civilians admired dedicated soldiers rather than high-flying real estate dealers or ski-vacationing stock brokers, may have been witty, frank, and romantic - but it also reflected the army's ongoing failure to fully gauge the burden it habitually places on the shoulders of Mr. and Mrs. Israeli, and to adjust itself to changing

While one can hardly blame Israel's top soldier for harboring evidently bitter feelings in face of increasing public criticism of the military, the fact nevertheless remains that much of the blame for the IDF's dwindling stature lies with the army itself.

There were times when the IDF epitomized the idealism, sophistication, and improvisation which made a young and confident Israel the subject of universal admiration. But that era, which peaked in the stunning victory of the Six Day War, came to an abrupt end in 1973, when a flabbergasted Israel learned, the hard way, that its generals were not necessarily invincible geniuses.

Surely, one cannot take lightly Shahak's insinuation that the public's attitude toward its protector has come full circle three decades after military leaders, army units, and battle tales were celebrated here in songs, films, and parades.

Indeed, Shahak's complaint reflects real and severe problems, and he cannot be expected to find comfort in the fact that his predicament is part of a much broader, post-ideological world which clearly transcends the IDF and Israel.

In practical terms, after nearly half a century of existence the IDF's traditional material challenges have given way to human-resource

Unlike the early 1950s, when it was financially strapped, the IDF is now backed by a sizable and solid economy which can meet its major needs. Unlike the 1960s, when it was shorn of committed foreign support, it is now deeply tied to the US and other armies. And unlike subsequent periods, when it repeatedly skirmisbed with neighboring armies and lived under the constant threat of a bostile superpower's military clout, it now benefits from two-and-a-half peace treaties and a far more benign international arena.

It is against this obviously positive backdrop that the army now must forget the times when procurement-related challenges dominated its agenda, and focus instead on redefining its recruitment strategies and tactics.

Here, the key to treating Shahak's complaint lies in revolutionizing reserve duty, that part of the army which he and his colleagues in the general staff are least familiar with. This is for the simple reason that they were never themselves in the positions of civilians who helplessly face a system which repeatedly, if inadvertently, shuts their businesses or disrupts their studies, and disconnects them from their fami-

The IDF's reserve corps, which according to foreign publications numbers some half a million citizens up to the age of 50, is a unique phenomenon in the democratic, developed world.

Born oot of the constraints of a minuscule society surrounded by belligerent enemies, and having contributed decisively to the IDF's most impressive victories, the reserve corps ultimately became a permanent fixture in the army's operational philosophy. Apparently, it seldom occurred to IDF planners that by routinely and severely disrupting the lives of hundreds of thousands of twenty-, thirty-, and forty-something citizens it might be gradually annoying them beyond what they would be willing to tol-

Yet reality has proven that even a law-abiding and nationally conscious citizenry does not blindly obey the orders of its military and political leaders when these lose touch with reality. While they willingly sacrificed their time, money, and even lives under the circumstances of the Cold War era, today's reservists wonder what rationale can justify their being called for continued and prolonged periods of reserve duty, when the IDF is - hy its own admission swamped by unprecedentedly large intakes of 18-year-old recruits, due to the recent waves of immigration.

The army must also understand that two generations of reserve duty have left many of this society's parents sufficiently exhausted to cease encouraging their children to follow in their own footsteps by joining combat units.

With this in mind, the IDF will understand better why an ever increasing number of its young officers are new immigrants from the post-communist world, descendants of immigrants from Middle Eastern countries. or religious Zionists - namely those whose parents were not among the army's historic

And so, rather than lament the public's fatigue, the IDF would do better to readjust its manpower policies to the changing times, by drastically slashing reserve duty, enlisting a maximum of youngsters to the regular army (where service should be gradually shortened to two years), and granting combat soldiers real incentives, such as a minimum-wage monthly salary and full tuition for three years of higher

Such an army, though comprising fewer troops serving a shorter period than is currently required, would be better motivated and more dedicated and would command the greater respect it deserves. And dedication, not quantity, has traditionally led the IDF to victory, as Shahak would surely agree.

"No thanks, just something cold..."



# A lot of needless fuss

T WAS with bated breath that Prime Minister Netanyahu waited for the end of the sixmonth period since the decision to change the Palestinian Covenant.

Now the six months are over and he is categorically demanding that the Palestinian juridical committee be convened in order to change the paragraphs that contradict the agreement with Israel.

Taken at face value, this is quite legitimate. In fact, however, it is a ridiculous and superfluous demand, one that grants too much importance to the PLO's internal legislative process, a process which is none of our business.

Not for nothing did the Yariv-Shemtov formula ignore the Palestinian Covenant, determining [back in 1973] that Israel would negotiate with any Palestinian element that recognized it, that accepted Security Council resolutions 242 and 338, and denounced terrorism.

The Palestinian Covenant is a pathetic, outdated document, It was our belief that if the PLO actually committed itself to an agreement with Israel, then explaining how its covenant jibed with that agreement would be its own problem and no one

It was clear to everyone that any party willing to talk to the PLO did not ascribe very much significance to the covenant, equally clear that anyone who didn't believe in talking to the PLO wouldn't change its mind just because the PLO had decided to abrogate the covenant. It would ogation as men

dow dressing."
Even so, during the Oslo discussions it was agreed that revision of the covenant would be one of the PLO's commitments to

This undertaking, included in a letter written by Yasser Arafat and not as part of the Oslo accord itself, did not involve a timeframe, since the revision required

YOSSI BEILIN

the support of two-thirds of the Palestine National Council. The assessment was that at the time the letter was written, there was no such majority yet in favor of the revision.

Since then, revision of the covenant has become the Likud's chief battering ram against the Rabin government.

"How is it that the covenant hasn't been revised, and when

The premier should leave the Palestinian Covenant where it belongs, among his election campaign memorabilia

will it be revised?" leaders on the right ask again and again. After elections for the Palestinian Authority were over

and those elected became part of. the Palestine National Council. and after Israel agreed to enable any member of the council to enter the territories, the PNC convened in April this year and determined that all the paragraphs in the covenant that contradicted the agreement with Israel were canceled, and that a special committee would convene within six of the covenant.

The Likud leadership didn't believe the PLO capable of making such a far-reaching decision. To them the revision came as a shock, and they clutched at any bizarre expression of opinion just so as not to have to face up to the transformation the PLO had undergone - the one, hy the way, they had been insisting upon all

FROM Israel's standpoint, however, the PLO has fulfilled its obligation.

Whether its juridical committee convenes in another year, two years or not at all is its own prob-

For our part, the historic deci-sion in which almost all elected members of the PNC determined that the paragraphs that contravene the agreement with Israel are irrelevant is the symbolic and significant one.

Something funny happened to the leaders of the Likud.

The same political body that so opposed negotiating with the PLO and consistently maintained its opposition even after the Oslo accords were signed; the same body that continues to demonstrate such lack of trust in the Palestinians, is prepared to attach significance to some internal committee which will convene in order to rewrite a few para-

This is what will cause someone to trust the PLO? Again, as with the covenant itself, those who see the PLO as a partner do not need it, while those who don't believe the PLO to be a partner will certainly view anything such a committee comes up with as a huge

If the prime minister is still looking for excuses to tarry on the road to peace, he will regard even one as lame as this as a real wind-

But if be really means to do well to leave the covenant affair where it belongs, among his election campaign memorabilia.

No one is about to take his victory away from him. The only question is what he's going to do

The writer, a former minister, is a Labor MK.

# Angry advice

MOSHE ZAK

TOSNI Muharak's declaration that he won't meet Binyamin Netanyahu until Israel withdraws from most of the territories wasn't meant so much for Israel's

ears as for Arafat's. Muharak was showing the PLO leader, by example, how he could drag out a Hehron deal.

Do as I do, was Mubarak's

implicit message, Come out with a new demand - a sweeping IDF territorial withdrawal - before the present crisis blows over.

Mubarak's threat to Israel that he won't meet with Netanyahu until etc. etc. didn't exactly shake the government. Israel has become quite used to his continued refusal to visit Israel (his promises to Yitzhak Rahin and Shimon Peres notwithstanding). and can manage very well without the honor.

One could say that as far as this matter is concerned, Israeli indif-ference has deflated the halloon of Egyptian threats.

That isn't to say the threats have no impact on our negotia-tions with the Palestinian Authority. And there lies the reason Mubarak goes on making

these threats. What he very definitely doesn't want is a settlement to the Arab-Israeli conflict that excludes him. He can't stomach the idea of the American Dennis Ross and not the Egyptian Osama el-Baz walking off with the credit for mediating between

Israel and the Palestinians. True, he had a personal visit from Arafat. But that wasn't good enough. The PLO chairman graced Jacques Chirac and the pope with the same privilege.

No. what Mubarak wants is the promise of a special status for Egypt in any regional settlement. And he doesn't want any surprises - like in 1994, when King Hussein and Arafat negotiated with Israel behind his back and

ments without giving him advance notice of their contents. Nor was Mubarak exactly overjoyed at the Oslo agreement getting signed in the White

even went so far as to sign agree-

#### The Palestinians would be well-advised not to heed Mubarak

House and not in Cairo. That's why he went to considerable to have Oslo 2 initialed in Taba, on Egyptian soil, with direct Egyptian involvement.

in the current round too Mubarak's request was that the Israeli-Palesunian negotiations be held in Taba, which would have made Egypt's status regarding them crystal-clear.

But, sadly for him, it didn't work out that way. The talks were mostly in Jerusalem and Tel Aviv.

HOW SHOULD Israel react to Mubarak's game?

What it mustn't do is labor under the delusion that soothing telephone calls from Jerusalem to the effect that agreement with the Palestinians is imminent actually help matters. All the phone calls do is rouse Mubarak to achieve what he can in posiponing an agreement in which he has no part.

The Egyptian record regarding good advice to the Palestinians is far from outstanding.

While Egypt in the late 1940s encouraged the Palestinian residents of Gaza to set up an all-Palestine government in the Strip, its military regime ruled those Gaza Palestinians with a rod of iron, keeping them under closure for years.

Clearly the most recent Egyptian advice on dragging out a Hebron agreement isn't in the Palestinians' best interests. Its sole aim is to highlight Muharak's influence.

Yet Israel is also entitled to delay signing an agreement until the Palestinians scratch the anti-Israel and anti-Jewisb clauses from their covenant, something they undertook to do before the evacuation of Hebron.

October 24 was the final date for implementing the recommendations of the PA legal committee on the changes in the

Mubarak's message to Arafat. sent via Israel, that he run with the ball handed him by the Egyptian leader was bad advice. And while we're on the subject, his promise in Sharm e-Sheikh to Peres that Syria won't start a war is perturbing, to say

It recalls, only too painfully. that other message Mubarak thoughtfully passed on in 1990. that Saddam Hussein wouldn't

The writer, a veteran journal. ist, comments on current affairs.

# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

# **POLICE ARMS**

Israeli and Arab world. We, and I

refer to both the secular and Sab-

hath-observing Israelis, have forgot-

ten the tradition both share -the

Mishna in Tractate Shabhat: "A

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into pruning hooks; nations shall not

lift up sword against nation, neither

shall they learn the arts of war

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Hehmn in particular than any other

If indeed such a scenario is utopi-

an, perhaps the grim reality is that

Israel is not facing a one-time ene-

my who is sincerely committed to

peace and non-violence but one who

is irretrievably committed, along

with most of the Arab world, to

eventually liquidating the Zionist

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the PLO covenant and as would ap-

pear on the surface, at least, from the

military uniform that Arafat consis-

tently wears. The question is, are we

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The priorities of the present gov-

ernment are completely convoluted.

Netanyahu will be remembered as

man who destroyed a glimmer of

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security arrangements.

Perhaps the sight of unarmed po-

Sir, - It seems incredible that both the world and the peace lobbyists in Israel should support any anempt to legitimate the bearing of automatic weapons by the police of either side. The "strong police force" agreed upon at Camp David did not explicitly spell out that the police had to be better armed than, shall we say, the British police, none of whom carry even pistols. Only a small elite force appropriately armed can be called upon and authorized to operate in special circumstances.

In the light of the Goldstein mas-sacre and the PLO police firing on Israelis, surely the lesson to be learnt by Arafat, the peace lobbyists and the Israeli authorities is the fewer guns around the better. In the wake of the Dunblane massacre, the British Home Secretary has proposed the most restrictive gun laws of any country, outlawing the keeping of any private guns in the home, but only in authorized clubs. And yet Arafat is fighting for automatic rifles and will not even settle for pistols by the police of both sides, refusing to disarm his trigger-happy civilian militias.

Surely it is high time that every effort should be made, including suitable legislation by the Palestinian Authority and the Knesset, to outlaw the ownership of lethal weapons. There is far too much glorification of gun toting in both the

Sir. - It is sad to think that Amir is

getting his way. Killing Rabin paved

the way for Netanyahu, which has

given us the mess we are in now.

Either Israel must recognize the Pal-

estinians and let them create a state

in the West Bank and Gaza, or it

must continue to subjugate them

If it is so vital to the Jewish peo-

ple that a few zealots stay in Hebron,

sacrificing the peace and harmony in

indefinitely.

# PERVERSION OF

The "sacred" concept of democracy - that free speech permits one to say absolutely anything - is nothing but a contorted fallacy. Had people specifically stated that Rabin must be done away with, I am sure that even the greatest protagonists of democracy would agree that speech of this nature is unacceptable. Surely then, speech of a nature that leads many individuals to believe that Rabin should be done away with is just as forbidden. Can't these numerous rabbis develop the minimal amount of sensitivity to realize that their incessant incitement against Rabin

against them? "We haven't done anything wrong. We are not to blame for anything at al! Look at our record. We do not breed convicts. No drug addicts stem from our education system. Our entire method of upbringing is pure and positive and 99 percent of our results are a success and a blessing to society!" All this is perfectly true - except for the remaining 1 percent, which is preaching hatred and is poisoning the 99 percent of beautiful success. This is what we, the religious community, have to acknowledge to do,

ing to admit is so imperative. If we could only try not to just fear and revere God, but also to love Him, it would become crystal clear that many of the things we say and do are abhorrent.

MIKE GLAZER

# **RELIGIOUS JUDAISM**

Sir, - When one shows the seeds of hatred and observes the growth of violence and then is forced to reap the harvest of murder and assassination, one cannot maintain that all one did was throw seeds on the ground, not intending that anything

led many people to believe that he should be "eradicated"?

Remember the whining by the rabbis about the "witch-hunt" a soul-searching that we keep refus-

#### Tfirst heard the "Song to Peace" at a Bnei Akiva camp Lin 1972, in France.

Amid the tranquility of the French Alps, in a gathering of the movement's members from all over Europe, youth leaders from Israel taught us the latest in Israeli songs aimed at strengthening the emotional link between us and the country with which we

identified I vividly recall the depth of feeling we experienced as we translated and understood the inner meaning of a song in Hebrew yearning for peace.

How proud we were made to feel. A country that had per-formed the mightiest of military feats, as secure as it was ever likely to be, could at the same time create songs extolling peace and brotherhood.

The spiritual leader of this all-European gathering, another emissary from Israel, actively joined in the hiking and the singing. As so many of his students over the years remember, few could equal the spirituality that transfused the "secular" songs sung by our spiritual guru of that time, Rabbi Haim Druckman.

But the "Song to Peace" has become controversial. For members of the Betar and Bnei Akiva youth movements, it is no longer a song which can be freely sung. Rabbi Druckman and his fellow educators forbid the singing of

It is now perceived as defeatist because it acknowledges the fact that military victory does not necessarily bring long-term security or stability. It "belongs" to the Left. Worst of all, it is pro-peace.

True, Meretz wasn't doing the song any favors when it purchased the sole rights to it in the election campaign and thus virtually hijacked it for sectoral polit**DAVID NEWMAN** 

Watching what

ical objectives. But this was the song Yitzhak Rabin, that dour politician, was seen singing minutes prior to his assassination. What more appropriate memory to the man could there be than to recall this mov-

There is something wrong with a society which censors songs for peace

ing moment? The "Song to Peace" isn't the only song to have clashed with a self-appointed political censor. A similar fate awaited many of the songs composed in the immediate aftermath of the Yom Kippur How many of us remember the

(Lu Yehi) or the mother's prayer beseeching that "This Should Be the Last War" our children fight. These songs were perceived as being too negative. They were vilified by both the right wing and the army corps, which preferred that we sing about glory and victory on the battlefield and not about the deep yearning for

beautiful but mournful words to

the song "If Only It Could Be"

the end of bloodshed, Such songs would, it was argued only weaken national morale. The result would be a

THERE IS something wrong with a society which censors songs for peace. There is something wrong with a youth movement whose leaders perceive the desire for peace as a threat to the

## values they are attempting to impart to their charges.

There is something wrong with leaders, especially spiritual leaders, for whom the concept of peace has to be weighed up with other tangible political objectives, relegating it to only secondary significance. In my generation, the Bnei

Akiva movement did a magnificent job in bringing hundreds of committed youth from the luxury and freedom of the free world to make aliya to Israel. The movement spoke to so many; it bridged so many gaps. But in the past 20 years it has become narrow and insular,

gy that makes all other values, including peace and the sanctity of human life, recede into insignificance. If my children were to "break ranks" and sing the "Song to Peace" at rallies in memory of Yitzhak Rabin, their youth lead-

besotted with a territorial ideolo-

ers would frown on them. Bnei Akiva's refusal to allow its members to sing a beautiful and meaningful pro-peace song only goes to show to what depths the movement has sunk. Singing a song has now become

a political statement, which means it needs to be scrutinized, censored, and, in some cases, banned. It is time for Bnei Akiva's leaders to switch emphasis and start disseminating the message of peace as a supreme, spiritual, message.

There must be a return to the days when the movement's leading rabbis can sit comfortably decreased desire to fight and sac- around a bonfire and heartily join in a "Song to Peace."

The writer, professor of politi-cal geography and director of the Humphrey Institute for Social Research at Ben-Gurion University, is a former member of the Bnei Akira youth movement.

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High French art in the form of a comic book

> HE New Asterix Has Arrived!" beadlined the daily Le Parisien. an unveiled reference to the annual uncorking of Beaujolais

It may just be a comic book, but the new adventures of Asterix have hit French bookstores with all the impact of a national cultural event.

Kids and adults alike, raised on the adventures of the diminutive Gallic hero and his sidekick Obelix, snapped up eopies of La Galere d'Obelix ("Obelix's Galley Ship"). Some bookstores sold out.

The new 48-page album ended a five-year silence by creator Albert Uderzo, the co-creator who bad professed creative burnout. Demand for a comeback was overwhelming in a country where literature and comic books are both considered high art. France even boasts a eomic book museum in Angouleme.

The Asterix cast of plucky characters are familiar to French children. The sturdy warriors of ancient Gaul, who grin and quip their way through battles with hapless Roman invaders, are the heroes of TV cartoons too. A live-action feature starring Gerard Depardieu is in the

Recent polls show that Asterix is the best-known character in Europe, beating Mickey Monse and Belgium's Tintin.

The new Asterix, the 30th in a series which began in 1959, is filled with suspense and surprise as the Gallic duo again face adversity in Roman times.

Y three-and-a-half-year-old son has been bladder-trained since age two-and-a-half, and is dry

at night about 50 percent of the time.

However, he is not yet bowel trained.

He refuses a diaper, the potty and the toilet. I have tried everything (comment-

ing, not commenting, rewards and

incentives, the "big boy" routine), and I

remind him constantly. He tells me he

does not need to, and then a few minutes

later he hides and does it in his pants. I

have never punished him - except for

voicing my disapproval. I've tried changing him immediately and leaving him in his mess for hours. Now I have

refused to clean him and have told him

that if he wants to soil himself he must

clean himself. He will be four at the end of the summer, and my husband and I

Generally, he is a happy child. He

goes to nursery school and has never

soiled himself there. He has an eight-month-old sibling, but I no longer accept this to be the cause of the prob-

lem. Please help us, we are all getting

Alan Flashman, M.D., child and adult

Your question suggests that you both

feel something is amiss, and I agree.

Since your son has no accidents in school, and bas enough control to hide

when he moves his bowels, it is unlikely

that there is a physical problem with

Now, when bowels are only bowels,

small children go right along and actual-

ly would just as soon be trained. So let's

assume that his bowels have come to

What could these meanings be? You are

probably right that a very simple reduc-tion of bowels to jealousy of his eight-month-old sibling would be too simple. I

assume that you are right because you are there and have already explored such a

However, the sibling came about

through a process that small children find

enormously interesting, and surrounded

by all kinds of misunderstandings. The most common misunderstanding is

line with oo convincing results.

assume some additional meanings to

psychiatrist, replies:

development.

your son.

feel that he should be trained by then.

The two take to the high seas, teaming up with a galley led by a square-jawed Greek fisherman named Spartakis with a striking resemblance to Kirk Douglas.

The book, in fact, is co-dedicated to Douglas, who starred in the Hollywood classie Spartaeus. "I owe a lot to my movie memories," Uderzo told Le Parisien.

"For the new Asterial it was obvious to me that Spartakis, the head of the revolting slaves, had to have the features of Kirk Douglas."

Asterix is big business in France, including the Asterix theme park outside Paris that competes with Disneyland Paris. The new comic book sells for \$10, with 2.8 million copies already in bookstores around

The publisher Albert Rene has five million extra copies already

Around the world, some 280 Asterix stories have been bought in 77 languages by fans of all ages since Asterix's birth under the pen of Rene Goscinny and the paintbrushes of Uderzo. American sales of Asterix

books remain negligible, despite the series' enormous success. The new book will sell in the US under the name The Adventures of Asterix and Obelix On the

Goscinoy died in 1977, leaving Uderzo alone to carry the torch. Uderzo has since become a multi-millionaire despite costly legal battles against his former publisher and Goscinny's

The success of Asterix shows

is, they are excreted from the anus.

According to the logic of a small child, a

distended belly, such as the one he has to

contend with prior to evacuation, could

Your son is asking for your help with two problems. The first involves the extra

meanings that make his bowels unman-

The second and more important prob-

lem involves his feeling that his soul has

become unknowable - to himself and to

you. I think his hiding is a way of

expressing the fact that be feels a mystery

to himself and to you. He is asking for

more than training, and he is asking for it

from the only people who can provide

what he needs: A sense that he can be

understandable to you and to himself. He

has brought you to the point of curiosity, and he is inviting you to search with him

not for the single reason for his behavior,

but rather for a variety of special mean-

ings that he needs help in getting to know

Since his behavior is a vote of confi-

dence in your ability to help him, I would

rather assume his vote is correct. So don't

sort out and solve this mystery that be has

Clarification regarding last week's col-

umn: The fact that our children's rooms

overflow with toys and that parents often

try to become their children's friends

were not necessarily seen as positive

developments. Readers were asked

whether they think we, as a society, have

become too child-centered, and if so.

what can be done about this.

and to be known by you.

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Beyond the bowels



Around the world, some 280 'Asterix' stories under the pen of Renc Goscinny and the paintbrushes of Albert Uderzo have been sold in 77 languages.

that the French can compete by being themselves," respected writer Jean Dutourd told the daily Le Figaro. "Asterix is full of wit and very French."

(AP)

# into US democratic life

TELIX Andreev never dreamed he would vote in a democratic election, let alone for a US president. Most people equating a mother's pregnant belly with the child's own distended tummy after in the town of Brighton Beach, on the Atlantic shoreline eating. According to this logic, pregnanjust a few miles from New York city, probably feel the same. cy is acquired by eating. The other end of Known as "Linde Odessa;" this is a small piece of Russia this misunderstanding is that babies come" that has taken firm root in the US. out where things usually come out, that

The shops sell Russian vocka, sausages, smoked fish and pickles beneath signs in Cyrillic script, while kiosks do a

Close your eyes to shut out the American cars and clothes, listen to people talk in the street or on the boardwalk near the beach and you could be in Moscow.

Andreev, a prominent community leader who helps set up local businesses, won US citizenship this year after defecting while on a trip to San Francisco six years ago.

For the first time, he can vote in the US presidential elec-

ots in this land," he said. "We feel very proud to vote, this is our country," said Tanya

Andreev, a 59-year-old former journalist, thinks most Russians who have become US citizens would vote for President Bill Clinton, since the Democrats take a more gen-

Reagan in the 1980s. Since many are Jews, they are also drawn by what they

sell yourselves - or him - short, because you don't yet have the answer. Become plenty who are very right-wing on foreign policy," said llya Levkov, who runs a Russian publishing house in New York.

Altogether more than a million people from the former

Soviet Union live in the US — Russians. Ukrainians, curious and explorative with him if you Go for help to restore this curiosity if you feel you are becoming swamped with

Brighton Beach is the closest they have to a capital. It lies frustration. Doo't settle for less than just a few kilometers from the Statue of Liberty, the symbol restoring to yourselves a firm inner feelof America's status as a land of immigrants. ing of security that you and your son can-

A fashionable resort for New Yorkers in the 19th century. the town was blighted by crime and depression when a few Soviet Jewish families settled there in the 1970s.

clubs. There are Russian radio and television stadons and more than 30 Russian-language newspapers. Unemployment and crime rates are low, educational standards high.

Israel and Washington. "People like to travel, because it shows they are free," she said.

# Russians settle nicely

Built up by Soviet Jews who first came in the early 1970s. it is now a bustling community of around 60,000 people.

brisk trade in Russian-language newspapers and books.

tion on November 5.
"It is a strange feeling, but I will use my vote. We believe in it, we believe in the American dream. We are natural patri-

Rosenberg, who works at a travel agency.

erous line on immigration and social benefits than the But there are others who feel attracted to the Republicans.

with memories of their tough line against the Soviet Union during the Cold War, particularly under president Ronald

believe to be the Republicans' strong support for Israel. "These people endorse the language of might, there are

Georgians, Balts, Amnenians.

The streets are lined with businesses, restaurants and night-

Some people go back to Russia or other former Soviet republics to visit relatives, if they have the money. But the most popular travel destinations, according to Rosenberg, are (Reuter)

#### "America has been overnm with a non-White invasion, bringing to a ry of religions."

spearhead the ever growing White Nationalist movement... "We at Alpha seek radical change in the present system and the ultimate establishment of a racial homeland for our people." Eberhard-Karls-Universitat

WELCOME to the Internet, where a computer rookie can access hate networks in mere seconds. This month at the Hebrew University, scholars from around the world discussed modem antisemitism and how technology such as the World Wide Web abets its perpetuacion.

The conference was otled "Paganism. 'Volk Religion,' and Antisemitism. 19th-20th Centuries." One participant, Dr. Steven Wasserstrom, associate professor of versity. Judaic studies and chair of the religion department at Reed College in Portland. Oregon, spoke of the prob-lem in terms of "Satanic myth." Many hate groups reject the current world, he said, and create negative

often as monsters or devils. For instance, a new group in North America. known as Christian Identity, says Eve brought to fruition two seeds. She and Adam gave birth to the race of Abel, but she and the serpent created the race of Cain.

images of Jews as world enemies -

The World Wide Web is being

used for world wide hate,

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the spawn of Satan, claims Christian Identity, which some experts now regard as the dominant religiouslyoriented group of the extreme right in North America.

**Antisemites** 

take to the Net

"Social scientists have had a precious opportunity to observe this Satanic myth grow," Wasserstrom

"First, observers have been able to watch it evolve in action on the World Wide Web. This new form of research has proved that it can also serve a serious purpose for the histo-

Wasserstrom is among 20 scholars who dissected the faces of 19th- and 20th-century antisemitism at the conference, , which was jointly sponsored by the HU and the

Tubingen of Germany.

According to Dr. Leon Volovici, of the Vidal Sassoon International Center for the Study of Antisemitism at the Hebrew University, the intent was to foster joint research between the two universities. Scholars of Jewish and German history, philosophy and literature, as well as organizations devoted to Holocaust memorial, were invited. This is the first time the Vidal Sassoon Center had collaborated with the German uni-

Wasserstrom's lecture was on "From Ahriman to ZOG: the Jews as Planetary Antagonist in Archetype and Stereotype." ZOG, an acronym for the Zionist Occupation Government, was coined in the mid-

"ZOG provided a brilliant rhyme on the apocalyptic Gog and Magog, while simultaneously sounding, to the American ear, like some dumb but nonetheless intimidating kind of lumbering beast," Wasserstrom said. ZOG is the latest version of an old Modern Jews descend from Cain. conspiracy theory in which Jews are

ment and are blamed for every disaster. It's also evidence of a revival of Nazism and fascism in America and Europe, said Wasserstrom.

He calls the myth of "world-monster Jew" a collectively fabricated

weapon in a cultural war.
"If they can wipe away journalism, Hollywood, the intellectualism they associate with Jews, they can

get back to a pure state." he said of the hate groups' mentality. With the approach of the millennium, many groups are stirring up images of the Antichrist, the world leader they believe must be defeated at the end of civilization. They see the Jew as the Antichrist and modern times as the end of history.

For Nazis, the Jew was and is the classie version of this ultimate enemy. Wasserstrom said, explaining the timeliness of the antisemitism conference in Israel.

With a few pecks of their fingertips, leaders of Christian Idenoty and other hate groups are calling for war on ZOG.

Wasserstrom found this cry on the Internet recently: "Volksfront is dedicated to the preservation and advancement of Aryan heritage in North America... The Volksfront would like to dedicate our first page to all the soldiers who are sitting within the walls and cages of ZOG. To all who fight for our righteous

cause we salute you!" Wasserstrom reports that such propaganda flourishes on the Internet. He sees it as dangerous, but doesn't

"Many people can become far more easily educated in hate propaganda than they ever could before, he admitted.

\*However, all other points of view also are better represented, so in the end it may be a wash."

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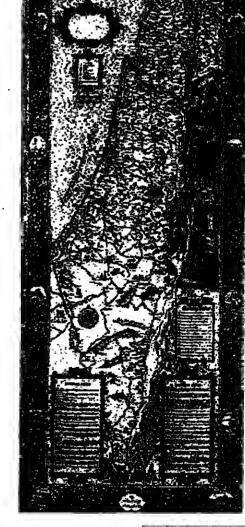
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# **CEO** Wainshal resigns after 5 years **GALIT LIPKIS BECK**

CLAL Israel Presideot aod Chief Executive David Wainshal yesterday resigned after five and a half years with the group.

Wainshal's announcement took most of the husiness sector hy surprise. The company's board of directors is expected to meet today to discuss the resig-

In a letter to Eliyahu Cohen, a representative of the company's major shareholder, IDB Development, Wainshal said changes he has made at the company have reached a stage that enable him to resign.

Among his major achieve-ments, a company spokesman said, was the reorganization of Clal's headquarters and struc-

Wainshal intended to resign six mooths ago, but at the request of shareholders be agreed to stay until several structural changes and efficiency measures were made.

lo bis letter, Wainshal said he is willing to contioue at the firm until a replacement is found, but he said he will certaioly leave no later than March.

The Clal spokesman said Wainshal believes it is necessary to change management every five years. He said With hal's resignation is not related to JDB Development's recent purchase of additional shares in Clal, which increased the company's total boldings to

Wainshal joined Clal in 1990, after the resignation of Moshe Dovrat. Clal is one of the three biggest holding companies in the country. It operates through more than 120 subsidiaries and affiliates in industry, trading, constructioo, insurance, tourism and the capital markets. Among its many holdings are Scitex, Polgat, Sunfrost, and Azorim.

# **Former US Treasury Secretary** Bentsen to head New Holland

NEW YORK (Reuter) - New Holland NV said yesterday Lloyd Bentsen, the former senator, vice presidential candidate, and US Secretary of the Treasury, had been appointed chairman of its board of directors.

The Dutch manufacturer of 'agricultural equipment said in a statement released yesterday that Bentsen's experience in finance, interoational trade and public policy would prove a valuable asset for the company.

It did not say whom Bentsen would réplace in the post. Bentsen was named Treasury Secretary by Clinton in January 1993 and served in the president's administration until December 1994.

Bentsen was a long-serving senator from Texas. New Holland was formed in May 1991 through the merger of the businesses of Fiat Geotech SpA and Ford New Holland com-



# Meridor: Economy will face crisis if MKs reject budget plan

FINANCE Minister Dan Meridor warned that if the Knesset fails to pass the 1997 budget he presented yesterday, there could be a criais that will hurt the poor and lead to higher unemployment

Since he first proposed the NIS 190.g hillioo package, which includes NIS 4.9b. in cuts, three months ago, Meridor said none of the groups that claim they would be hurt by the cuts have suggested alteroatives that would also boost the flagging economy.

"If we don't get the economy hack on the

right track, we will all - and the government first and foremost - be responsible for serious problems in the coming years," Meridor said. We will have to take even harsher measures in the future."

Meridor said that though there has been "impressive growth" in the economy for the past six years, there are a oumber of economic problems, from a slowdown in growth to a balance of paymeots deficit that is expected to climb to more than \$5 billion this year.

DAVID HARRIS AND EVELYN GORDON

Even at this late stage, Meridor said. he would be prepared to accept a comprehensive. alternative budget.

In the boild-up to his budget presentation. Meridor held formal meetings with coalition leaders. At his meeting with Gesher MKs. Meridor said, only Michael Kleiner showed

Meridor hopes his budget cuts can help pull economic growth hack from its current 4% to a rate between 5% and 6%. Yet the numbertwo official at the Bank of Israel, Dr David

Klein, said Monday that Israel could cope far better with only 4% growth. State tax-revenue will total NIS 114.7b., according to the Treasury forecast - a 6% increase on the expected 1996 figure. The

ing programs abroad. On the expenditure front, social services will receive NIS 76.5b., or 22% of the Gross

government also will continue its capital-rais-

The armed services are facing an NIS 800 million cut, but Meridor maintained this would not hurt the effectiveness of the mili-

Everyone agrees that we need to cut. But that agreement is meaningless as long as there is no agreement on the hreakdown of the cut,"
Meridor said. "Is this budget sacred in every
detail? No. But the logic behind it is important
- I would even say critical. We do not want populistic measures that will cause economic and social damage.

In the coming weeks, a series of debates will be held after tomorrow's vote on the first reading of the hudget hill. Meridor issued a warning to those who will participate in the Knesset discussions, particularly members of the Knesset Finance Committee. "Doo't come to me with populistic proposals," he said. "We cannot behave as if the rules of economics do not apply to us - as if it were possible to spend

# **PM: Privatization** next month

planned budget cuts bear their fruit

THE government will present the first part of its detailed, multi-year privatization plan by the end of next month, Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu said yesterday.

Export Day conference in Tel Aviv, Netanyahu also commented on the Export Institute's demand for an immediate change in central bank monetary policy. The prime minister said he has no intention of taking away the Bank of Israel's indepen-dence and added that he can do no more than try to persuade Governor Jacob Frenkel that the export sector faces severe problems.

The slowdown in economic growth is primarily due to the political situation, said Netanyahu, emphasizing that the government is committed to the peace process. He blamed the Palestinians for the stalled negotiations, saying that they had tried to mislead European countries and the US into thinking Israel is to blame.

"I believe the political and economic process are like two horses carrying one chariot, and I don't want one to slow down because of the other," said Netanyahu.

The prime minister praised the success of local export-oriented firms, especially those traded on the Nasdaq stock market.

Still, he said, there are certain labor-intensive sectors like textiles that must undergo a technological revolution to survive.

"I believe the key to export growth in future years is resources. We have human capital, which should oot be neglected," said

Speaking at the same forum, the central bank's Frenkel said that even if the government's proposed NIS 4.9 billion in budget curs are immediate cut in interest rates.

central bank was too small. During the last few months, the business sector repeatedly has called on the Bank of Israel to reduce interest rates and adjust the exchange rate.

Frenkel emphasized that his opposition to a cut in interest rates is part of the Bank of Israel's general policy, which must be maintained if long-term targets are to be achieved.

Frenkel said a devaluation of the

shekel and a drop in interest rates will out solve the economy's prob-lems. He said there are many problems and instruments that must be examined as one package. Frenkel urged the government to

implement a real cut in expenditure.

# plan will be unveiled

Frenkel: Deeper rate cuts only after

**GALIT LIPKIS BECK** 

# Speaking at the International Netanyahu.

implemented, there will not be an Industrialists and exporters say that Monday's 0.3% rate cut by the

Frenkel said the bank's tough policy is not political. "The aim is toot to maintain interest rates until the cut in the budget is made, as a measure of putting pressure [on the government] to cut the budget" be

# is planned as the world's longest building. The \$2.5 billion project features a 10-story, tube-like office building to be built along the Khang river. It will take 20 to 25 years to finish. German opposition leader throws weight behind EMU

BERLIN (Reuter) - The chairman of Germany's opposition Social Democrats (SPD) delivered a rousing defense of Europe's planned single currency yesterday, only days after his main party rival called for the project to be postponed.

Oskar Lafontaine told a party conference that the euro, due to be introduced as the European currency in 1999, was a tool to fight unemployment in the EU.

His firm stand contrasted with a call by Lower Saxony state premier Gerhard Schroeder Saturday for a delay in the planned economic and monetary

Lafontaine and Schroeder are the two leading candidates to become the SPD's challenger to Chancellor Helmut Kohl in the 1998 general elections.

Malaysian Prime Minister Mahathir Mohamad (second from

left) inspects a model of the 2.4 km.-long GigaWorld complex in

Kuala Lumpur after agreements were signed between the

Malaysian government and developers yesterday to build what

Lafontaine also called for harmonization of European tax policies to prohibit individual countries from using low tax rates for their economic advantage. Schroeder came in for heavy

criticism, even within the SPD, for saying Germany would not meet the Maastricht criteria for a single currency on time and should therefore delay its lauoch. deficit would be 3.5 percent of gross domestic product - above the Maastricht treaty's 3% goal for joining the monetary union planned for 1999.

But Finance Minister Theo Waigel, an advocate of a strict reading of Maastricht, said "the conditions will be created" in final hudget talks to bring the deficit below 3%.

The SPD has been anxious to distance itself from an anti-Europe platform after suffering spectacular losses in March this year with a regional election campaign that even many Social

# EMU may cost British retailers £3.5 billion

LONDON (Reuter) - A single European currency could cost British retailers up to £3.5 billion (NIS18 billion) if Britain joins, the British Retail Consortium (BRC)

Costs include staff training, relabelling and adjusting operating and point-of-sales systems to handle the new currency, said the BRC

The BRC estimated an added indirect cost of £300 million from and the impact on trading patterns where shoppers would be expected to buy more before the change over and less immediately after.

cut to £1.7b. if a number of proposals were followed, said the BRC. Twenty-five years ago, Britain's high street shops underwent a simi-

lar upheaval when decimal currency was introduced in 1971. "BRC is recommending that the lessons learned at that time should be heeded," said Andrew Higginson,

chairman of BRC's economic affairs committee. At the time, careful preparation and the full involvement of retailers

in the conversion process ensured its success and a minimum impact on inflation, he said.

January is one of the busiest times of the year for British retailers who offer hig discounts in New Year

duced in a "Big Bang" and not phased in over six months.

**BUSINESS BRIEFS** 

MBE will be authorized Cellcom phone dealer: Local businessservice chain MBE will soon become an authorized dealer for Cellcom cellular phones, Cellcom vice president Oren Most said

MBE is the world's largest company in the field of husiness services and the fourth-largest franchise company in the world. (The first three franchisers all deal with food.) It has 3,500 branches around the world and recently opened its first branch at Beit Eliahu in Tel Aviv. Most said Cellcom would continue to cooperate with independent dealers in selected areas. Celicom's products are today sold at 230 shops, including 20 authorized places for installing remote-control devices for operating phones in

Israeli companies in UK explore opportunities in the EU: Sixteen Israeli companies are currently in Britain to learn how to obtain EU funding and to explore opportunities for joint ventures and collaborations with UK companies.

Among the companies in the R&D mission are Israel Aircraft Industries, Tapaz Medical Technologies, Rafael and Intelligent Electronics. The event is being organized by the Israel-Britain Business Council.

UN body adopts plan to attract infrastructure spending in Asia: The United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific conference on infrastructure in New Delhi yesterday adopted an accomplan to attract private investment and increase the pace of core projects in Asia and the Pacific.

"A major outcome of the conference was the adoption of the

action plan which reaffirms the commitment of countries for infrastructure development in the region," Dr Ling Liong Sik,

Malaysian Minister of Transport, said. Some 30 member states approved the plan which emphasised the need for transparency and less red tape. The body estimates developing countries in the Asia-Pacific region need \$1.5 trillion in new core sector development between 1993 and 2000, of which only \$500 billion has been committed.

Germany awards four more local telecom licenses: Germany yesterday awarded four more licenses to two companies to operate telecommunications networks in competition with Deutsche Telekom AG, Post and Telecommunications Mioister Wolfgang

Boetsch said three of the licenses went to Colt Telekom GmhH, covering Berlin and Potsdam, and areas around Darmstadt and Munich.

The fourth went to Bayernwerk Netcom GmhH, a unit of the VIAG group, covering the regions of Bavaria, Thuringia, Frankfurt

UK watchdog delays widening of gas competition: Industry regulator Ofgas yesterday delayed the extension of competition in the British household gas market, after a pilot project in the south west of England was plagued by billing problems for British Gas. The four-week delay means competition will be introduced in Avon and Dorset in February, instead of January, while Sussex and Kent will have to wait until March. Nationwide competition is envisaged

Jordan seeks stronger trade ties with Czech Republic: Jordan and the Czech Republic are seeking to intensify bilateral trade ties. Czech Prime Minister Vaclav Klaus's office said after a meeting

with Jordan's Crown Prince Hassan yesterday. Klaus's spokesman Ivo Strejcek said the premier and prince expressed their preparedness to intensify economic and business

Crown Prince Hassan is on a three-day visit.

# **Housing Ministry** considers buying flats to rent them out

**DAVID HARRIS** 

THE Housing and Construction Ministry may buy hundreds of apartments to rent them out to poor people, ministry spokesman Amit Dobkin said yesterday.

If the plan goes ahead, it would replace the need for the kind of purpose-huilt, rented-accommoda-tion program that social groups have called for persistently.

Ministry officials believe the scheme under consideration would lead to an increase in the state-owned housing stock, and at a faster rate than a building pro-

The majority of apartments will be bought in Ramat Bet Shemesh. The ministry anticipates it will be able to huy flats at relatively cheap prices there, because of the current slow pace of sales in the area.

has made it clear he would prefer the Ministry also take responsibility for huilding apartments for rent. This could present the Ministry with additional funding problems, bowever. So far, no specific figures on the number of properties to be bought have been publicized.

Meanwhile, Interior Minister Eli Suissa proposed yesterday increasing the Arnona municipal rates by 11.4 percent. This increase would be in line with the increase in the Consumer Price Index in the 12 months to September.

Suissa and Finance Minister Dan Meridor asked the Knesser Finance Committee to approve the proposal.

The increase in rates apply to all

#### Germany's six top economic institutes said io their autumn Democrats linked to right-wing changes to the pricing of products forecast yesterday that the 1997 Patah (foreign currency deposit rates) (11.9.96) Currency (deposit for:) U.S. dollar (\$250,000) Pound starling (£100,000) German mark (DM 200,000) Swiss franc (\$F 200,000) Yen (10 million yen) 3 MONTHS America Online unveils \$460m. 6 MONTHS But the overall costs could be restructuring plan

DULLES, Va. (Reuter) - America Online, responding to challenges posed by the Internet, said yesterday it would take \$460 million in charges this year as it restructures operations and revises pricing plans to make it more competitive.

AOL, the world's leading provider of computer online services, said it would separate into three operating units and begin offering a number of new pricing options, including a flat monthly rate of \$19.95 for unlimited

AOL's stock, which recently moved to the New York Stock Exchange from the Nasdaq stock market, jumped \$1.375 to \$26 in early trading and was the most actively traded issue on the

The company said it was taking a \$385m. charge in its fiscal first during the traditionally slower

quarter, which ended Sept. 30, to account for deferred subscriber acquisinon costs, an accounding method for which it has been crit-

AOL, based in Dulles, Va., also said it plans to take a one-time charge of up to \$75m. in the current quarter for costs it expects to

incur as it reorganizes. The company said it will begin immediately expensiog all marketing and subscriber acquisition costs as they are incurred, rather than deferring the costs and amortizing them over time as it did pre-

viously. Chairman Steve Case also said in a statement that the company added nearly 250,000 net new subscribers in October as it began to address some of the customer retention problems it encountered summer months. The company said it was separating into three operating units -AOL Networks, to oversee its flagship Internet online service;

AOL Studios, for creating online programming; and ANS Communications, its network infrastructure arm. AOL named Robert Pittman,

former chief executive of MTV Networks, to oversee AOL Networks. Pittman, most recently chief executive of Century 21 Real Estate Corp., had forged MTV into the first profitable, basic cable network company.
Pittman also headed Time

park chain, where he oversaw four

straight years of record growth in

AOL said.

Warner's Six Flags amusement

The BRC suggested costs could be cut if EMU was launched in a quiet trading period, ideally February.

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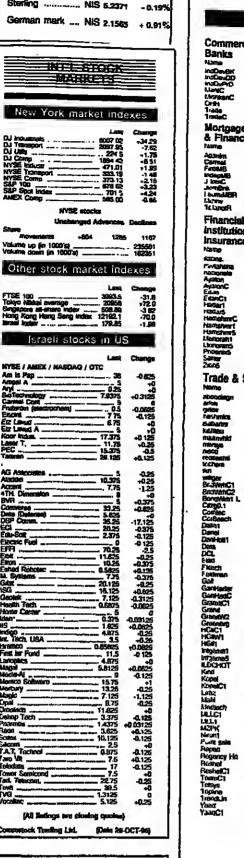
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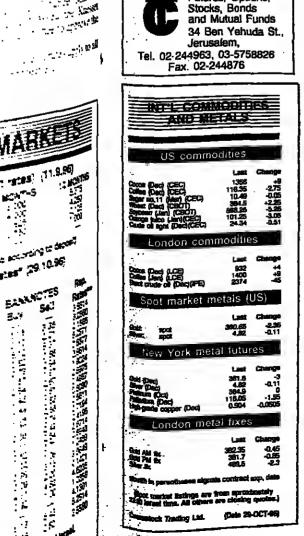
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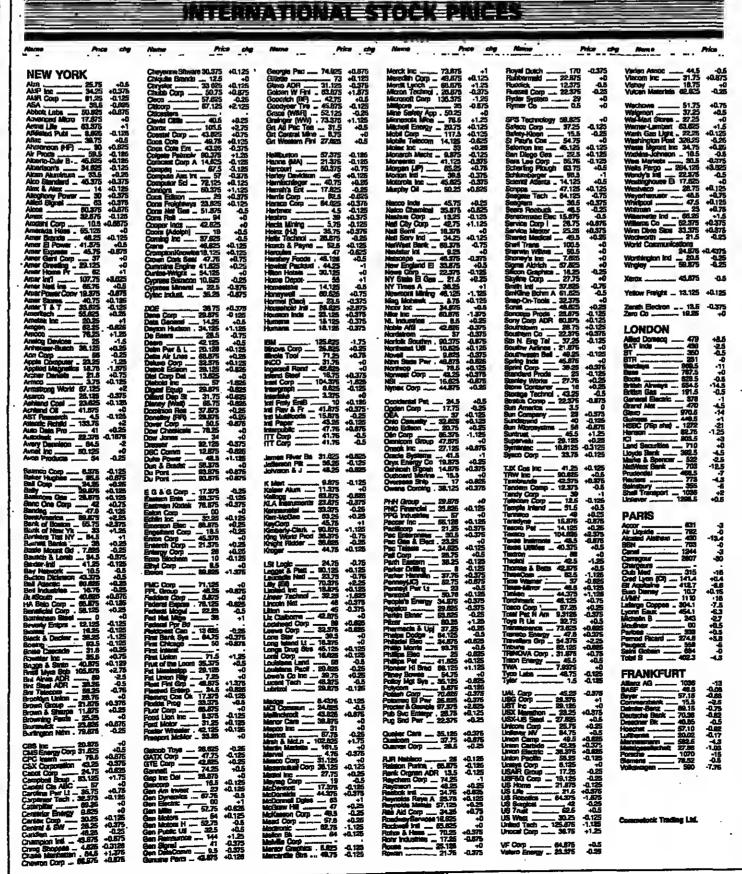


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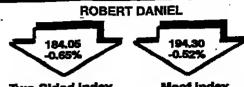
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# Stocks drop as traders watch peace talks

TEL AVIV STOCK MARKET



Two-Sided index

STOCKS dropped for s third day as investors focused on the stalled talks on Hebron. The 0.3% cut in interest rates

by the Bank of Israet Monday failed to sffect stocks signifi-"We had the interest rates - it

was a disappointment - and now that story is finished," said Ron Weisberg, a trader at Israel Brokerage and Investments in Tel Aviv. "We still bave the politics, which is under a cloud. The Manf Index slipped 0.52

percent to 194.30, while the Misbtanim Index lost 0.65% to Across the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange, NIS 56.3 million of

shares traded. Five issues fell for every two that rose. The market was led down by Teva Pharmaceutical Industries,

which shed 4%, and Koor Industries, off 1.25%. Teva accounts for nearly 10%

of the value of the Maof Index. Nice Systems Ltd., which produees digital voice-recording and archiving systems, sank between 5% and 6

Mact index The most active issue was Blue Square Properties and Investments, operator of Co-Op Supermarkets, which gained 0.5% on NIS6.6 million of shares traded. Teva was second on the most-active list, trading

NIS6m. Trading on the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange has ebbed as investors here and abroad bave been focusing on the ups and downs of the peace process.

Volume strengthened a bit yesterday, which was a good sign, Weisberg said.

The interest-rate cut bodes ill for the stock market becsuse most investors and analysts expected a cut of at least 0.5

percentage point. They were boping that the cut would reduce corporate borrowing and help exporters. They also hoped that lower rates would move money from shekel-denominated deposits into the stock market. Israel's

relatively high rates provide an inflation-adjusted return of (Bloomberg)

# Europe shares fall on inflation, US share concerns

LONDON (Renter) - London stocks finished back below the 4,000 level as and re-awakening fears of domestic interest rate rises left shares to struggle through a jittery session

Under pressure from the 'start after a sharp reversal in US stocks overnight, stronger-than-expected UK money supply figures added to the downbeat mood, which was further reinforced by another dissppointing performance in New York in the afternoon. The FTSE 100 closed at 3,993.5, a fall of 31.8 points but above the day's lows of 3.988.9.

FRANKFURT - German shares closed floor trade weaker after the dollar weakened against points at 2,125.74.

the mark and as Wall Street losses and comments by German economic institutes held the market back. The DAX index of 30 leading shares reversed gains made on Monday when it had reached above the crucial 2,700 point mark, to end down 30.21 points at 2,673.62. In post-bourse trade the index fell 27.83 to 2,675.50.

PARIS - French stocks fell 1.15 percent after weakness in the dollar, bond prices and concerns that German interest rates may rise drove the bourse's bluechip CAC-40 index through important support levels. The CAC-40 index finished down 24.65

# Blue chips stocks boosted by drop in bond rates WALL STREET REPORT

NEW YORK (Renter) - Blncehip stocks elosed with strong gsins yesterday as new dsts showing that inflation was still in check sent long-term interest rates to their lowest levels in 2-1/2

The Dow Jones industrial aversge ended 34.29 points higher at

6,007.02. In the broader market, sdvancing issues led decliners by a small margin on active volume of 444 million shares on the New York Stock Exchange.

The Treasury's 30-year bond yield plunged to 6.69 percent - its lowest since Angust 12 - and compared with 6.84% Monday.

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# BUDGET

(Continued from Page 1) Netanyahn st a stormy meeting with faction chairmen last night. "We cannot find s practical solution for every demand by tomorrow. Nor can make fools of ourselves [by postponing the vote]... We have two months until the final reading, and things will be

cleared up by then."
When Gesher chairman Maxim Levy retorted that there is no reason to believe anything will change in the next two months, as nothing bas changed in the past four, Meridor also lost his temper. Gesher scheduled a meeting with him last week, he noted, and only one MK, Michael Kleiner, bothered to show up. Shas, United Torah Judaism, and the National Religious Party, which had also been considering voting against the budget earlier in the day, decided last night to support it after Meridor agreed that the religious publie was discriminated

against in certain budget areas,

and said he favored correcting

this discrimination.

"Achieving equality should be the principle, and I would even support affirmative action, Meridor told them at the coalition

The three parties want NIS 250 million added to the Religious Affairs Ministry for goals such as supporting yeshivot, building mikvaot and maintaining ceme-teries. About half this sum, they said, is necessary simply to correct past discrimination.

To demonstrate this point, Deputy Religious Affairs Minister Arye Gamliel noted that his ministry's budget rose only 30% over the past four years, while other ministries saw their budgets increase by 60%-70%.

Meanwhile, the Third Way also amnounced last night that it would support the budget, after the gov-ernment agreed in principle to its demand for NIS 165 million for settlements in the Jordan Valley and the Golan. Tsomet had announced its support for the budget on Monday.

# Rhodes helps SA beat India

RAJKOT, India (Reuter) - A breezy half-century by Jonty Rhodes helped South Africa score its third consecutive victory over hosts India in the Titan Cup limited-overs triangular series yesterday.

South African openers Gary Kirsten and Herschelle Gibbs, chasing an Indian score of 186 in 50 overs, scored freely in a stand

But the South Africans lost two quick wickets and the run rate dropped against the wiles of the Indian spinners.

Man-of-the-Match Rhodes made 54 off 77 balls, including four fours and a mighty six, before he was caught by Ajay Jadeja off Venkatesh Prasad with victory in Indian captaio Sechin

Tendulkar won the toss and elected to bat but his team failed to prosper. Both Navjot Sidhu and Rahul Dravid were run out. Javagal Srinath, batting number

three, hit a determined 53 in an otherwise lackluster Indian batting performance.
India's total of 185 looked an easy target but the South Africans

"We did not want to treat it as an easy task and wanted to concentrate on the job at hand," South African skipper Hansie Cronje said.

"And it wasn't easy either, especially when the spinners came on.' Tendulkar accused his team of failing to play to its potential.

"The serior players ought to show greater responsibility. You cannot have experienced players getting run out so early." South Africa has 10 points from

five matches and plays Australia in its last match at the north eastem city of Guwahati tomorrow. India has three points from a wio and an abandooed match against Australia, which is third

Titan Cup limited-overs triangular

with one point. India and Australia

meet for the third time oo

November 3.

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Total (for 5 wickets, 48.4 overs) 188
Did not bat: LKlusener, P.Symcox,
F.de Villiers, A.Donald
Fall of wickets: 1-62 2-72 3-88 4-151

5-184. Bowling: Srinath 8-0-26-0, Prasad 9-0-38-2 (w-2 nb-1), Kumble 9.4-1-40-0, Joshi 10-0-32-2, Kapoor 10-1-32-0 (w-Result: South Africa won by five wickets. India 185 all out in 48.1 overs, South Africa 188 for five in 48.4 overs.



CITY SLICKERS - Yankees' GM Bob Watson (I), field boss Joe Torre (c) and coach Chris Chambliss greet the throngs.

# City fetes champion Yankees

NEW YORK (AP) - Lower Manhattan turned into a pinstripe gala yesterday as fans - from truant school children to Wall Street bankers filled the skyscraper "Canyoo of Heroes" to celebrate the World Champioo New York

A blizzard of paper swirled down from office windows as the jubilant parade stepped off along Broadway on a bright, cool morning. Cheers of "Let's go Yankees!" echoed off the

glass and stone walls as manager Joe Torre and his coaches waved to the wild crowd. The players rode floats, with Cecil Fielder shooting his own videotape of the cheering fans and Darryl Strawberry clutchiog his

danghter. One float carried special fans like Pee Wee Scheidt, who was first on line for playoff tickets, and Freddy "The Fan" Schuman, a potbanging regular in Yankee Stadium's upper

The crowd count was announced at City Hall as 3.5 million - a likely overestimate for the parade route of less than a mile, based more on

at the Paris Open yesterday as the

Alberto Berasategui of Spain

held off two match points before

beating a weakened Krajicek, 3-6,

6-1, 7-5. The seventh-secded

Krajicek started fast but slowed

Frenchman Arnaud Boetsch

topped Jim Courier 6-4, 7-5. It

was the third consecutive time that

Boetscb beat Courier over the past

year. Courier, a two-time French

and Australian Open champion,

Courier had been plagued by a

knee problem that forced him to

seeded players began play.

with stomach problems.

was seeded 15th.

civic pride than reality. A similar parade for the Mets 10 years ago drew an official count of 2.2

"I lived with the Yankees in the '70s, I died with them in the '80s, and finally I'm alive again," said Ed Torrez, 53.

He arrived three hours early for the parade, lugging his 5-year-old granddaughter, Rosie. oo his shoulders, among the tens of thousands of early revelers. Crowds have lined Broadway scores of times

to bonor this ceotury's beroes, from Amelia Earbart to Harry S. Truman, from Gulf War veterans to the '86 New York Mets. Yesterday was the fourth time for the Yankees and the fourth parade of the 1990s.

following those for the 1994 ice bockey champion Rangers, Gulf War vets and South African bero Nelson Mandela. Before the parade started, Torre rang the opening bell at the New York Stock Exchange and was swallowed up in an autograph-signing

Courier, Krajicek lose in 2nd round

PARIS (AP) - Winibledon chara- miss the US Open and return to another winning streak when he The tournament has 39 of the

pion Richard Krajicek and former action after a two-month break in Starts defense of his Paris Open top 40 players in the world entered No. 1 Jim Courier were early exits Stuttgart last week where he lost title against Marc Rosset of in the last Super-9 event of the

Switzerland today.

Thomas

Boris Becker, who beat Sampras

There is still a battle for the final

qualifying spots for the ATP World

Championships in Hanover.

Germany, in the middle of

November. It features the top eight

players based on computer points.

Krajicek, Wayne Ferreira and two

others are in contection for the

final three spots. Sampras, Chang,

Kafelnikov and Goran Ivanisevic

Yevgeny

Muster,

have already qualified.

Becker, Agassi, Marcelo Rios,

Sunday at Stuttgart, takes oo

Spain's Carlos Moya, also today.

frenzy on the trading floor. Public schoersofficials wooldn't call off

classes, but the parochial school of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church in Queens did. The principal is Sister Mary Marguerite Torre, sister of the Yankee manager.

The 1991 Gulf War parade was the last one festocoed with actual ticker-tape, the thin paper ribbon that used to spout from oldtime stock-quotation printers. For years oow, the paper blizzard has consisted of shredded telephone books, computer printouts and toilet

A measure of success for parades past has been the tonnage of confetti cleaned up afterward. The heaviest paper storm, more than 1.200 tons, fell on the American bostages returned from Iran in 1981.

Ticker-tape parades date from the late 1800s. but became an institution in 1927, after "Lone Eagle" Charles Lindbergh was honored for his solo trans-Atlantic flight.

The Mets offered gracious praise to their crosstown rival yesterday, taking out a fullpage ad in the New York Post with a message that ended: "You've made our city proud."

season. Univ Andrei Medvedev, a

losing finalist here in 1993, is

Edberg, who is retiring at the cod

of the season, trounced Michael

Sticb in straight sets in first-round

one bour and 19 minutes to beat

Edberg, whose world ranking of

17 left him one place outside the

seedings in a tournament boasting

most of the top 30, is set to face

No. 3 Thomas Muster of Austria in

the German 6-2, 6-4.

the second round.

The 30-year-old Swede took

In Monday's late match, Stefan

missing with a sore shoulder.

# Beating Greeks a tall order for national squad '

ARYEH DEAN COHEN

CAN a speeding bullet overcome a tall building? That Supermanesque questioo stands behind tonight's match-up between Israel's national baskethall team and the Greek side as they clash in European Championship action tonight at Yad Eliahu (Channel 1, 8:45 p.m.)

The speedy Israelis will be trying to use their quickness and outside shooting to overcome the massive Greek front line, with coach Zvi Scherf expected to start Doron Jamchee, Adi Gordon, Nadav Henefeld, Doron Sheffer and Ofer Fleischer in a bid to run the Greeks ragged.

That will only be possible, however, if Scherf's squad is somehow able to get its share of rebounds, a difficult task against the tall Greek side. The only good news is that starting Greek center Faniotis Fasoulas will miss the game, as will Fanis Christudolo and Dimitri Papanikulo. Fasoulas and Christudolo both played oo the Greek club that woo the European national team title nine years ago

Another familiar face who will he missing will be Faniotis Yanakis, the brillians Greek point guard who has retired from the game. He is expected to eventually take over as coach of the Greek

The Greeks are led by their cap-

tain, George Sigalas, and also rely heavily on Nikos Ikonomu for scoriog. Costas Patavokas is expected to get the assignment at point guard.

The Greek side also has a bounty of young big men waiting in the wings who are expected to make the most of their chances to play against Israel. Chief among them is Aptimis Rantasias (2.10 m.) who was reportedly picked by Denver in the NBA draft

Israel comes off a disappointing 83-73 loss to Hungary over the weekend, following a triumph over the Netherlands. They'll certainly have to show better form than that, with the burden under the boards falling oo Tomer Steinhauer, Fleischer and Amir Mukhtari, Israel's three big men.

At least Israel will now have a fully focused Sheffer, who no longer has to fly io from Connecticut for oational side play. Maccabi teammate Oded Katash, Papi Turgeman and Motti Daniel of Hapoel Jerusalem and Galil Elyon's Gur Shelef are also being counted on to contribute off the bench.

Greece beat Israel 75-73 in the previous match-up between the two clubs, in Greece, and Israel is currently fourth in Group A, with a 2-2 record. Greece and Belarus are tied for first at 3-1. Israel plays Georgia and Bosnia next month.

# Newcastle advances in UEFA Cup

LONDON (Reuter) - Hosts shoot-out 5-3 to advance. Newcastle won big, beating Ferencearos 4-0 (1-0) last night in second-round, second-leg UEFA Cup action.

Faustino Asprilla scored two goals, in the 42nd and 58th minute, David Ginola scored in the 65th and Les Ferdinand put the icing on the cake with a 90thminute shot. Newcastle wins 6-3 on aggregate Internazionale Milan had

England midfielder Paul Ince sent off and then survived a penalty from Dutchman Johan de Kock. shoot-out to squeeze past unfancied Casino Graz.

Inter, bidding to win the competition for the third time in seven seasons, went into the match protecting a slender 1-0 first leg victory which evaporated wheo Herfried Sabitzer put Graz ahead after 35 minutes. There was oo further scoring,

but ince was dismissed live minotes into extra time for a second yellow card. Inter theo won the Schalke's third,

There was double delight for Germany in early matches with both Hamburg and Schlake advancing as expected. Hamburg, 3-0 ahead on aggre-

gate against Spartak Moscow, drew 2-2 in Russia to win 5-2 on aggregate, but Schalke had a more problematic night. Schalke weot to Trabzonspor 1-0 ahead from the first leg and

quickly raced into a 2-0 lead on the night thanks to two headers which put them 3-0 ahead. Trabzonspor then launched a fightback, going 3-2 up on the night through two goals from Hami Mandirali and causing some

concern to the Germans who were then leading only on the away goals rule. But with 15 minutes remaining, Martin Max, who scored the only

goal in the first leg two weeks ago, clinched the tie with

# SA sports minister raps rugby union chief

CAPE TOWN (Reuter) - South African Sports Minister Steve Tshwete yesterday accused rugby union chief Louis Luyt of lacking sensitivity towards a failed black challeoge for control of the Transvaal Rugby

"I am not happy and I know that many people are not happy. If we fail to reconcile the black and white contingents in the South African Rugby Football Union (SARFU) then rugby has no business here."

Tshwete, who taught rugby to his cellmates in the Robben Island political prison under apartheid, was reacting to reports that Luyt had ridiculed black rugby official Brian van Rooyen who made a failed bid to unseat him as president of the TRU on Monday.

# Barkley, Oakley fined, suspended for fighting

Special teams lift Bears

NEW YORK (Reuter) - Charles Barkley of the Houston Rockets and Charles Oakley of the New York Knicks were suspended and fined by the NBA on Monday for fighting in last Friday's preseason game between the teams.

Oakley was suspended two games and fined \$10,000 and Barkley was suspended one game and fined \$5,000 for throwing

Barkley grabbed a rebound and was wrestled to the floor by Oakley with 2:54 left in the first quarter. Barkley took exception to the hard foul and both players

MINNEAPOLIS (Reuter) -

Rashaan Salaam rushed for a sec-

ond-quarter touchdown, Jeff

Jaeger kicked two field goals and

the Chicago Bears' special teams

made several big plays in a 15-13 victory over the Minoesota

The Bears (3-5) trailed 3-2 after

the first quarter, but scored 13

straight points in the second period.

which capped a seven-play, 58-

yard drive, was sandwiched

between field goals of 41 and 44

yards by Jaeger that made it 15-3

set up by a Mark Carrier intercep-

Jaeger's second field goal was

Salaam's one-yard scoring run,

Vikings on Monday.

Washington 0.

were ejected for throwing several

Oakley will miss New York's opener Friday at Toronto and the bome opener Sunday against Charlotte. Barkley will miss Houston's

opener Friday against Sacramento. Meanwhile, the Portland Trail Blazers have suspended Isaiah Rider for their first regular-season game for failing to show up for the team's final exhibition game Sunday.

Rider missed the team bus to Corvallis, where the Blazers met the Seattle SuperSonics.

tion of a Warren Moon pass.

the ball out of the end zone.

the Vikings ahead by one.

The Bears picked up their first two points on a safety when

Kevin Minniefield blocked a punt

and punter Mitch Berger knocked

Chicago's special teams came

up big again in the fourth quarter

when Sean Harris blocked a field

goal attempt that would have put

points of the second half in the

third quarter as Mooo found

Qadry Ismail on a 54-yard touch-

down strike to make it 15-10.

Scott Sisson field goal to close the

gap to 15-13.

SCOREBOARD

NHL - Monday's results: Phoenix 5, Montreal 4 (OT); Colorado I,

Minnesota scored the only

The Vikings added a 43-yard

# RATES

to Michael Chang.

Agassi

Gustafsson.

Chang, seeded second here, was

scheduled to start his play against

bard-serving Australian Mark

Also in late action were Andre

In the first round, Czech Martin

Damm downed Frenchman Guillaume Raoux 7-6 (9-7), 6-2

and Dutch qualifier Fernoo Wibier

beat Francisco Clavet of Spain, 6-

7 (3-7), 6-4, At No. 211, Wibier is

the lowest ranked player in the

Pete Sampras looks to begin

against

Magnus

Philippoussis late last night.

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# **CRITIC'S CHOICE**

#### **POETRY**

HELEN KAYE

GERMAN-Jewish poet Heinrich Heine was born 200 years ago this year. Fans can altend a symposium in his honor on November 10. The program in Hebrew includes excerpts from his work and a lecture by author Moshe Shamir on Heine and the Bible, as well as lieder set to his poems performed by Gila Yaron in German and Hebrew with Shimon Cohen on piano. At the Tel Aviv public library, Bcii Ariela, at 7:30 p.m. Info and tickets: (03) 691-

# **ENGLISH THEATER**

HELEN KAYE

PEASOUPER from the UK Rejects Revenge theater is a mad comedy for three. It's set in Victorian England, an ancient Egyptian tomb and the Wild West, and it's complete with Indiane Jones-type derring-do. a speeding train, carnels and a cursed

pearl. At the Haifa Technion Cinema Hall tonight at row (9:30). An opportunity to enjoy an original jazz 8:30.

#### **CLASSICAL MUSIC**

MICHAEL AJZENSTADT

TWO exceptional young female musicians share the limelight at the Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra's current subscription concert under the baton of music director David Shallon. Sensational violist Tabea Zimmermann, one of the best violists in the world today, plays the Hungarian Andante and Rondo by Weber while clarinetist Sharon Kam, who is slowly but surely capturing an important place in the world's leading concert halls, plays Rossini's Introduction, Theme and Variations, Together they play Bruch's Concerto for viola and clarinet and the evening ends with Dvorak's Eighth Symphony, At the Henry Crown Symphony Hall in Jerusalem tonight and tomorrow (8).

#### ETHNIC

MICHAEL AJZENSTADT

ISRAELI jazz ensemble Minuet celebrates the release of its newest disc - which is very Middle Eastern in nature and style - with a special festive performance at the Enav Centre in Tel Aviv tomor-

program rooted in this country's folk-music tradi-

#### FILM

ADINA HOFFMAN

\*\*\* LONE STAR - A big, satisfying swirl of a movie. John Sayles's latest picture audaciously blends questions of personal and political history with an old-fashioned mystery story. Set in a Texas border town, the film opens with the discovery of a human skeleton and rusting police badge among the cacti on an abandoned riflerange. Mournful-eyed sheriff Sam Deeds (Chris Cooper), son of the town's late, legendary lawman Buddy Deeds (played in flashbacks by Matthew McConaughey), decides to open an investigation into what appears to be a 40-year-old murder involving his own father and another notorious and widely loathed sheriff (Kris Kristofferson). Sayles's greatest achievement here is the vital, Dickensian use he makes of his huge, racially varied cast. Until the very end, when he flags and spreads the resolution around in ways that strain credibility, he consistently turns sharp attention and sympathy to each character as a complex individual instead of as a token. (English dialogue, Hebrew subtitles. Not recommended for chil-

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# CRYPTIC CROSSWORD

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20 Throw on to the ship (4) 21 One would be unwilling to die like this (9) 23 Something to quieten one,

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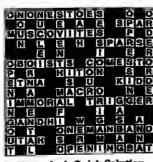
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ment et fair (3,6) 19 Staying on the move in such darkness (7)

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# SOLUTIONS



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#### MIDDLE EAST TV

7:00 Quantum Shopping 8:00 TV Shop 14:00 The 700 Club 15:00 Larry King 18:00 The A-Team 16:55 Family Challenge 17:45 Family Matters 18:10 Saved by the Bell 18:35 Day and Date 19:30 World News Tonight 20:00 Coach 20:25 Day's World 20:50 Bob Newhart 21:15 Days Austric 23:00 CNN 21:15 Dove Awards 23:00 CNN 00:00 TV Shop 2:00 Ouantum Shopping 3:00 TV Shop

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16:00 Cartoons 18:30 Things Which Can't Be Sold 17:15 Discussion in Arabic 18:00 Amores 19:00 News in Arebic 19:30 Documentary in Russian -The Man Who Loved in Hebrew - three-part series on Eliezer Ben-Yehuda 20:00 News 20:45 Nostalgia 21:15 Kate Bush 22:45 Songs Plus 23:15 First Creations – early works of film director Oliver Stone

#### ■ ETV 2 (23)

15:30 Wonder Years 16:00 A Century of Zionism – with Russian subtitles 17:00 Homeland 17:35 World of Wonder 18:00 Welcome to France 18:30 Family Relations 19:00 Evolutionary Trands 19:30 Point of View 20:00 A New Evening, with Russian subtitles 20:30 Basic Arabic 21:00 Star Trek - The Next Generation 21:45 Pop Songs 22:00 Zombit Computers 22:30 Syncopation 23:30 The Jews of North Africa in the era of colonialism

#### M FAMILY CHANNEL (3)

8:00 Sisters (rpt) 9:00 One Life to Live (rpt) 9:45 The Young and the Restless (rpt) 10:30 Days of Our Lives (rpt) 11:20 Perla Negra (rpt) 12:10 Neighbors (rpt) 12:35 Dallas (rpt) 13:30 Starting at 1:30 14:05 Robin's Hoods 14:55 Sisters 15:50 Date of Our Lives 15:40 Neighbors Days of Our Lives 16:40 Neighbors 17:10 Dallas 18:00 One Life to Live 18:45 The Young and the Restless 19:30 Local broadcast 20:00 Peria Neura 20:50 Melrose Place 21:40 The Monroes 22:30 Silk Stalkings 23:20 The Larry Sanders Show 23:45 Melrose Place 00:30 Nursing School 1:20 Key Position

# MOVIE CHANNEL (4)

11:30 Asian Connection: Road to Mandalay (1995) (rpt) 13:10 Paradlse Hawaiian Style (1966) – musical comedy starring Elvis Presley (rpt) 14:45 Go For It (1983) (rpt) 16:35 Adam: His Song Continues (1986) (rpt) 18:05 Superman 3 (1983) (rpt) 20:15 Getting Married in Buffalo (1989) – when her fisther dies, Sophie returns to the farm where she grew up. She to the farm where she grew up. She hires a high-school friend to help her and slowly they lall in love. (105 mins.) 22:00 Stolen Innocence (1995) — a runaway teenager befriends an ex-con on the run from the law:

# Attraction turns to fear when he kid-napps her for ransom. With Tracy Gold and Thomas Calabrow. 23:35 Kick Boxer 4 (1994) (rpt) 1:10 Privates on Parade (1984) (rpt) 1:10 Privates on Parade (1983) — John Cleese stars as e stiff major in 8 comedy about e bizarre USO-type unit sent to Singapore to entertain soldiers in the British Army. (100 mins.) 3:00 Powwow Highway (1989) (rpt)

#### CHILDREN (6)

8:30 Cartoons 9:05 Jin Jin and the Panda Patrol 8:30 VR Troopers 10:00 Little University – America 10:30 Hangin' With Mr. Cooper 10:55 Saved by the Bell 11:35 Max Glick 12:00 Little House on the Prairie 12:45 Alvin and the Chipmunks 13:00 Surprise Garden 13:20 Dracula Mon Seigneur 13:45 Make Believe Closet 14:05 Blinky Bill 14:35 Slmba the Lion King 15:00 VR Troopers 15:25 Little University – Inventors 16:00 Welcome Freshmen 18:25 Saved by the Bell 16:45 Rocko's Modern Life 17:00 Black Stellion 17:30 Little House on the Prairie 18:15 Popcomia 18:35 Make-Believe Closet 18:05 The Legend of the North Wind 19:30 Three's Company 20:00 Married with Children 20:25 Roseanne 20:50 The Ren and Stimpy Show 21:05 Step by Ren and Stimpy Show 21:05 Step by Step 21:30 Family Ties

#### SECOND SHOWING (6)

22:00 Strangers on a Train (1951) -Hitchcock thriller (rpt) 23:40 The Man Who Loved Women (French, 1977) story of an aging engineer who sees every woman who passes by as a missed opportunity. With Charles Denner, Leslie Caron, Brigitte Fossey and Nathalie Baye. (118 mlns.)

# ■ DISCOVERY (8)

8:00 Open University 12:00 National Geographic Explorer (rpl) 13:00 Greaf Books: Darwin (rpt) 14:00 Open University 15:00 National Geographic Explorer (rpt) 17:00 Great Books: Darwin (rpt) 18:00 Open University 20:00 Wild South 21:00 Cousleau 22:05 Sadhus: India's Holy Men – Osho 23:00 Wild South (rpt) 00:00 Open University

#### **■ SUPER CHANNEL**

6:00 The Selina Scott Show 7:00 The 6:00 The Selina Scott Show 7:00 The Ticket 7:30 NBC News 8:00 Today 10:00 Wall Street Moming Report 11:00 European Money Wheel 15:30 Wall Street Moming Report 17:00 MSNBC – The Site 18:00 National Geographic 19:00 The Wine Express 19:30 The Ticket 20:00 The Selina Scott Show 21:00 Dateline 22:00 Golf: American PGA tour 23:00 The Tonioht Show with Jay Leno 00:00 Tonight Show with Jay Leno 00:00 Late Night with Conan O'Brien 1:00 Later with Greg Kinnear 1:30 NBC News 2:00 The Tonight Show with Jay Leno 3:00 MSNBC - Internight

#### **STAR PLUS**

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# **■ CHANNEL 5**

8:30 Body in Motion 18:00 Body in Motion 18:30 Dangerous Games 17:30 English League Soccer – Nottingham Forest vs. Everton 18:30 World Championship Handball: Israel vs. Czech Republic – live 20:00 Boxing 21:00 Soccer from the League of Champione

# **EUROSPORT**

9:30 Eurogoals 10:30 Racing: Indycar season roundup (rpt) 12:00 Soccer: UEFA Cup (rpt) 14:30 Slam -international basketball magazine

15:00 Tennis: ATP tour from Paris ~ live 00:00 Motor Sports Magazine 1:00 Showjumping: World Championships, Mexico 2:00 Amateur Video Magazine

#### PRIME SPORTS

8:00 Badminton: Danish Open Championship 9:00 Chinese League Soccer 11:00 International Motor Sports Magazine 12:00 Badminton: Danish Open Championship – five 16:00 NBA Fantastics 16:30 Soccer Classic games 18:30 Soccer from Spain 19:00 Goff: European four roundup 20:00 Water Sports Magazine 21:00 NBA Fantastics 21:30 Motorcycle Racing: Grand Prix, Australia 23:00 International Motor Sports Magazine 00:00 Badminton: Danish Open Championship

#### BBC WORLD

News on the hour 8:05 Key to the White House 10:05 Horizon (rpt) 10:30 Tomorrow's World (rpt) 11:30 Film '96 14:15 Panorame (rpt) 15:15 World Business Report 15:30 Asia-Pacific Newshour 18:30 Floyd's American Pia (rpt) 17:05 Key to the White House (rpt) 18:30 Tomorrow's World (rpt) 19:30 The Travel Show (rpt) 20:00 World Report 22:05 Around the World in 80 Days 23:30 Top Gear – motoring magazine 00:00 World Business Report

#### **EXAMPLE 2018** CNN INTERNATIONAL

News throughout the day 6:30 Correspondent 7:30 Inside Politics 8:30 Moneyline (rpt) 9:30 World Sports 10:30 Showbiz Today 11:30 CNN Newsroom 12:30 World Report 13:30 CNN American Edition 13:40 Q & A 14:00 Asian News 14:30 World Sport 15:00 Asian News 15:30 Business Asia 16:00 Larry King Live 17:30 World Sport (rpt) 18:30 Earth Matters 18:30 Q&A 21:00 World Business Today 21:30 CNN World News 22:00 Larry King (rpt) 23:00
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#### SKY NEWS

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# RADIO

WOICE OF MUSIC

6:06 Morning Concert 9:05 Mozart: A Musical Joke; Beethoven: Die Geschöpfe des Prometheus ballet music; Lalo: Symphonie espagnole; Borodin: Symphony no 2; Debussy: La mer; H. Berman: Adagio for clar-inet and strings 12:00 Light Classical — works by Halvorsen, Weinberger, Dukas, Puccini, Chabrier, Offenbach 12:45 Elizabeth Rich, plano – Schumann: Cameval op 9, Navelletten op 21 nos 6; 4 and 8 14:06 Encore 15:00 Keys 16:00 Schubert: Ava Maria and other songs; Beethoven: "Moonlight" sonata; Vivaldi: Dixit Dominus no 594: Haydn: String quartet in D op 76/5 (Tokyo); String quariet in D op 76/5
(Tokyo); Dvorak: Moravian Duets
18:00 Works by Schubert: German
Dances D783; Songs for men's choir;
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Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra-IBA,
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Zimmermann (viola). Sharon Kam Zimmermann (viola), Sharon Kam (clarinet). Rossini: Introduction, Theme and Variations for clarinet and orch; Weber: Hungarian Andante for viola and orch; Bruch: Concerto for clarinet, viole and orch; Dvorak; Symphony no 8 23:00 Golden Generation – Forgotten Planists. Samuel Felnberg – Bach: Choral Preludes BWV 663 and 662; Mozart: Piano sonata in E flat K282, Fantasy an fugue in C K394, Sonata in D K576, 12 Variations in B flat K500

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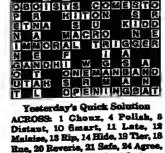


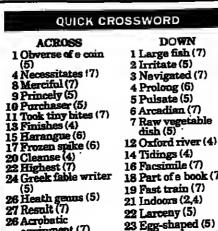
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# **CINEMA**

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# **Katsav: Peres** government made deal for opening tunnel

DEPUTY Prime Minister Moshe Katsav told the Knesset's State Control Committee yesterday that discussions on opening the Western Wall Tunnel had taken place under the previous government. He said former prime minister Shimon Peres had reached a package deal under which the Moslem Wakf would be allowed to use the Solomon's Stables area for Friday prayers during Ramadan in return for the tunnel being opened.

Katsav was asked to speak to the committee which is discussing a demand by Moshe Shahal (Labor) to ask State Comptroller Miriam Ben-Porat to prepare a report on the decision to open the

Katsav said the tunnel excavation work which had been concluded before the elections had not drawn opposition from the Wakf, and the current government therefore had no reason to believe that implementing the decision to open it would result in such a serious response. No intelligence assessment had predicted noting, he stressed. Katsav, who is also tourism minister, said that contrary to popular belief the decision to open the tunnel was not taken for political reasons but to facilitate tourism.

Internal Security Minister Avigdor Kahalani said the decision made by the previous government had been discussed by the new one with the steering committee on Jerusalem affairs, which Kahalani heads, and the interministerial committee on Jerusalem. headed by the premier. He also said there had been no assessments of riotiog. He rejected charges that the IDF had not had

time to prepare for the disturbances, saying the tunnel was opened on a Tuesday morning and the riots broke out the following

Jerusalem Mayor MK Ehud Olmert (Likud) said the previous government had made a unilateral decision on the package deal and Shahal as former internal security minister had received a letter from the Wakf stating it did not agree to the idea. According to Olmert, Sbahal did not forward this letter to the relevant authorities. Shahal denied the charge, calling it "provocative and baseless."

Olmert said the tunnel opening was timed to be close to the resumption of the talks on Hebron. Jerusalem Police chief Cmdr. Arye Amit said he had recommended not opening the tunnel until after the High Holy Days. It was opened the night following Yom Kippur. Police Inspector General Assaf Hefetz said he had also suggested delaying the opening, but had not expected such major disturbances.

Itim adds: Responding to Kahalani's remarks, Defense Ministry to Kahalani's spokesman Avi Benayahu said that only the proper deployment by the IDF and the rest of the security services prevented more bloodshed and halted the violent incidents following the opening of the tunnel within two days.

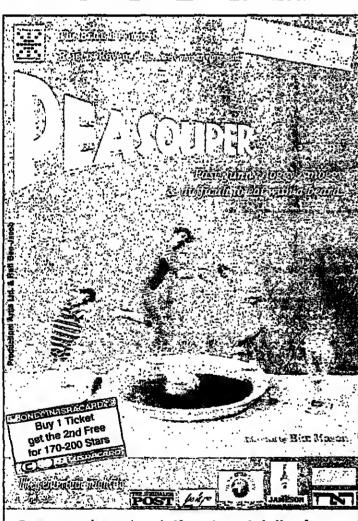
This activity by the IDF and the security forces was widely praised by many individuals, including members of the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defense Committee at special meeting on September 29, participated in by Mordechai, the chief of staff, and other senior IDF officers, Benayahu said.

#### Convicted spy to be released

GREGORY Londin, sentenced to 13 years' imprisonment for spying for the Soviet Union, is to be freed next Tuesday, after the Prisons Service decided to reduce his sentence by a third.

Londin will not be allowed to speak to journalists, and his release was also subject to other conditions the Prisons Service would not detail because of the sensitivity of the case. Londin began serving his sentence in 1988. He was believed to have

operated as a spy since he immigrated here in 1973, sending back information on the Merkava tank and the Israeli intelligence community. (Itim)



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Israeli-Arab youths yesterday mark the anniversary of the Kafr Kassem massacre, which occurred in 1956 when border policemen enforcing a curfew on the eve of the Sinai Campaign killed 47 villagers. Those responsible were convicted of murder in a trial that determined that obedience of an illegal order does not absolve one of responsibility. Compensation was paid to the victims' families and in 1957 a formal reconciliation was held between the families and the Jewish community.

# Lederman charged with attacking MK Yael Dayan

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YISRAEL Lederman of Jerusalem was charged yesterday by Jerusalem Magistrate's Court with aggravated assault and attacking a public offi-cial, for allegedly throwing a cup of scalding tea on Labor MK Yael Dayan in Hebron last week. Dayan suffered second degree burns to her neck and chest in the attack.

A hearing on remanding Lederman, 59, until the end of proceedings against him has been scheduled for Thursday.

The charge sheet states that while the Knesset Committee for the Status of Women was touring near the Machpela Cave, a group of people began heckling the members. Lederman, who had been at the nearby Settler's Restaurant, went towards the MKs with a cup of liot tea. He approached Dayan and asked her if she wanted a cup of tea, and when she replied in the affirmative, he threw the contents on her.

Lederman repeated yesterday to reporters what he had said when he was arrested last week he did not throw the tea on Dayan, but was pushed and accidentally spilled it on

After this happened, I wanted to go up to her and apologize. I told everything to the police," he said. Lederman, who served three years

of a 20-year sentence for killing a Palestinian in 1978, said he will sue the press for libel and with the money he will be awarded will "build a yeshiva in Jericho and Nablus." He said he is "proud of his



Yisrael Lederman. (Brian Hendler)

record" and had avenged the murder of an Istaeli soldier.

Lederman's lawyer, Naftali Wertzberger, threatened to go the High Court of Justice, because he said the state is basing its case on "rumors." He said the police statement that there is no testimony to substantiate Lederman's claim that he was pushed is "not accurate." Liat Ĉollins adds:

Labor MK Yael Dayan said she continues to receive hate mail daily Yesterday she received a copy of a front-page newspaper photo of herself which had been scrawled on, giving her a beard, moustache, and eye patch. The photo was surrounded by statements, including: "It's a pity there was no acid," referring to the scalding tea thrown at her and "Everybody agrees you come from an Arab or a dog."

Rabin photo display on HU web site

THE Hebrew University is marking the first anniversary of Yitzhak Rabin's assassination with a photo exhibit it has put up on the Internet. Thirty-three photos taken by photographer Tal Glick in Tel Aviv on the night of the murder can be viewed at the site (http://www.snumit.k12.il/rabin).

Glick says the collection "tries to register the feelings from those terrible moments of an execrable crime that is still difficult to accept that Judy Siegel a Jew murdered the prime minister."

# **NEWS IN BRIEF**

German chief of staff visits Yad Vashem German Chief of Staff Hartmut Bagger visited Yad Vashem yesterday. "I pause here in deep sorrow, but I believe in the future," be wrote in the Holocaust memorial's guest book. Bagger was accompanied on the tour by his wife, Hella, and Chief of Staff Lt.-Gen. Amnon Lipkin-Shahak.

Twenty injured on roads

A 14-year-old girl who took her parents' car for a joyride in Moshav Kfar Mordechai, near Gedera, suffered severe injuries yesterday when she lost control of the vehicle and crashed into a utility pole. A 16-year-old friend riding with her suffered light injuries. Police are investigating the incident.

Eighteen people were injured in two bus accidents yesterday. On the Kfar Habad-Beit Dagan road a minibus veered off the road and overturned on its side after being sideswiped by a truck, injuring 11 people very lightly. On Rehov Jahotinsky in Ramat Gan, seven people were lightly injured when two buses collided.

MK-mayors can keep municipal cars The three MKs who are also mayors - Jerusalem's Ebud Olmert (Likud), Migdal Ha'emek's Shaul Amor (Likud), and Omer's Pini Badash (Tsomet) - can continue using their municipal cars, but will bave to pay taxes on them.
In making its ruling yesterday, the Knesset House
Committee decided not to rescind their right to the cars,

because this would force them to buy new vehicles. Under a new law, the three will not be able to serve as both mayors and MKs after the next local elections.

# Products made with 'Nazi leather' on sale locally

**HELEN KAYE** 

NAZI jackboots have lent their name to a hard, shiny leather being used in boots and purses, which are being sold locally.

"Unfortunately, non-Jews are not as sensitive to the name as we are," said Segev Davidson, owner of the Grosso Modo chain, one of the stores carrying the products. "The term 'Nazi leather' is widely used in trade jargon. We do not use the term in our stores and the leather is labelled either 'special' or 'Bresh.'

Workers in two of the Grosso Modo's five stores said the term dis-

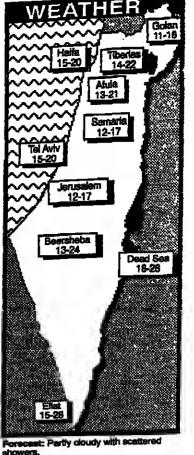
"If somebody comes in and asks for Nazi leather, we correct them." one said.

Reactions to the term - which one shoe merchant said "has been floating around for about a year" ranged from incredulity to anger.

"What an idea." said Moshe Asher, manager of a Tel Aviv store. "It's absolutely grotesque. I haven't had anybody come in to ask for shoes by that name." "It would be impudence for any-

body to ask for shoes by that name, after what happened there," said Sharon Saivyan, a worker in anoth-

Shoppers also said they were unfamiliar with the term "Nazi leather" and expressed revulsion.



AROUND THE WORLD



Winning numbers and cards

In last night's weekly Lotto drawing, the winning numbers were 8. 9, 20, 26, 29 and 43, and the additional number was 36.

In yesterday's daily Chance drawing the winning cards were the nine of spades, the ace of bearts, the 10 of diamonds and the jack of clubs.

#### **Journalists** reject claims they stigmatize Russian immigrants BATSHEVA TSUR

TEMPERS flared yesterday when the Knesset Aliya Committee reviewed a report by the former head of Behavioral Sciences in the IDF, Gadi Amir, who found that the Israeli media tend to stigmatize new immigrants.

"This is an educated but violent aliya," and "Russians are drunks" were just two of the stereotypes the research found common among the Israeli public.

The media contribute towards this instead of acting as watchdogs." comminee chairman MK Naomi Blumenthal (Likud) charged. "They use terms like 'whore' and 'mafia' about the immigrants and don't bring examples of positive behavior." Members of the media who had been invited took umbrage and a sharp exchange of words ensued between them and MKs from Yisrael Ba'aliya.

MK Zvi Weinberg, the only former North American among the Yisrael Ba'aliya MKs, proposed that legislation be introduced to prevent mentioning the ethnic or national background of persons in news reports.



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